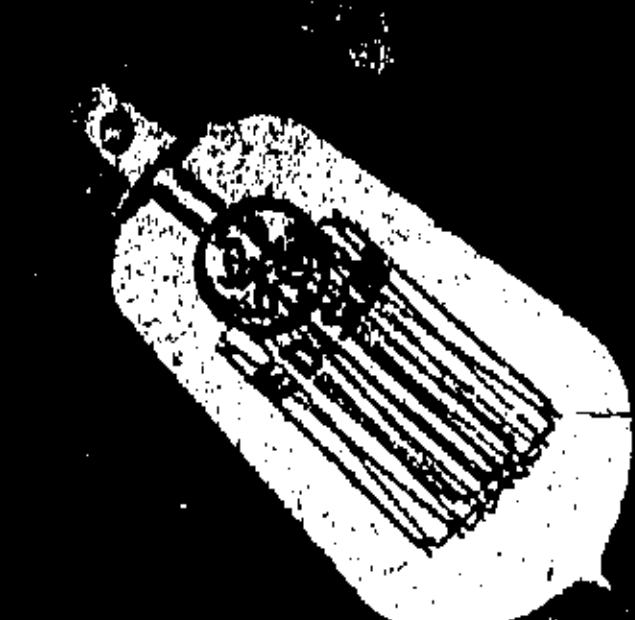


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THE REPARATIONS CONFERENCE.

German Perturbation at Allied Firmness.

(Reuter's Service.)

London, March 4. The French Press eulogises in the highest degree Mr. Lloyd George's speech, which, it is pointed out, was most opportune, coming on the eve of the inauguration of the new American President, as it makes clear that the Allies are united in imposing the penalties upon Germany. There are signs that the Germans are most perturbed at the Allied firmness, some Berlin newspapers pointing out that the German counter-proposals are in nowise an ultimatum, but merely a suggestion, though the Berlin *Tagblatt* defiantly declares that the 'Allies' demands are impossible and will again be rejected. *Achtuhr Abendblatt* suggests that fresh proposals may be made, perhaps from a third side. The German Cabinet discussed Mr. Lloyd George's speech till late last night, but apparently the only opinion expressed was regret at the penalties, which, it was declared, if imposed would find Germany defenceless and infringe the Versailles treaty.

Scene in The Reichstag.

Berlin, March 5. In the Reichstag the attempt of Herr Loebe, the President, to read Mr. Lloyd George's speech as regards reparations provoked the stormiest scenes. The Communist, Hoffmann, while endeavouring to speak, was assailed with shouts of "Throw him out!" At Hoffmann's request, Herr Loebe read the rest of the speech, which produced a storm of unparliamentary epithets, whereupon the Chamber adjourned.

THE CAMPAIGN OF ASSASSINATION.

Statistics of the Irish Situation.

London, March 4. The official weekly review of Irish conditions states that there were 32 casualties to the Crown forces during the week ending the 28th ult. compared with eleven during the previous week. A sinister feature is the cold-blooded assassinations of individuals. Five police and five soldiers were so murdered during the week ending the 28th ult., besides five soldiers murdered at Cork on the 28th ult. Except two police all the murdered men were unarmed, and five soldiers were murdered after being made prisoners. Two civilians were also assassinated on the ground of alleged communication with the police or military. 136 internment orders were made. There are now over 2,000 internees.

THE NEAR EAST CONFERENCE.

Kemalists Willing; Greece Declines.

London, March 4. At the resumption of the Near East conference Allies heard replies of the Greeks and Turks regarding a commission of inquiry respecting Smyrna and Thracio. The Greek delegate read the decision of the National Assembly rejecting the proposals as unjust to Greece, at the same time offering to transmit to Athens any 'quitable proposal made by the Allies. The Ankara representatives accepted in the terms cabled on the 2nd inst., adding that in view of the Allies' willingness to examine the provisions of the Treaty relating to Armenia and Kurdistan, the delegation felt confident that an arrangement fair on the essential points could be reached.

THE CHINESE INTERNAL SITUATION.

Dr. Wellington Koo Pleads for Non-Interposition.

London, March 4. Interviewed by the *Pill Mall Gazette*, Dr. Wellington Koo emphasised that the great problem of China was to divert money from the military into civil channels. If the Army were reduced to a strength sufficient for police purposes, large sums would be released for education, sanitation, and economic development. Dr. Koo declared that the internal troubles of China were much exaggerated and that the political difficulties were being adjusted. If the Chinese were left to work out their own salvation, they would undoubtedly soon adjust the troubles.

IMPERIAL CUSTOMS CONFERENCE.

Formalities Unified.

London, March 4. The Imperial Customs Conference mentioned in the message of the 28th ult. is proceeding in the most satisfactory manner. It has reached virtual agreement on the main objects of drawing up a single form of declaration of values for duty purposes and form of certificate of origin applicable to all parts of the Empire, thus avoiding the separate and distinct certificates at present required by the different Customs authorities.

COUNCIL OF LEAGUE'S CLOSING SESSION.

Switzerland's Acknowledgment.

Paris, March 4. Before the termination of the session of the League of Nations, the Swiss in ident mentioned in the report of the 27th ult. was closed by the Swiss delegate, on behalf of his Government, acknowledging the moral duty of members of the League to support the Council's recommendations. Senhor Da Cunha, the President, in his closing speech, dwelt upon the authority and prestige of the League, which had convinced the incredulous, and he endorsed Mr. Lloyd George's opinion that the existence of the League in 1914 would have made war impossible.

REPORT DENIED REGARDING FRENCH DREADNOUGHTS.

Paris, March 4. The Ministry of Marine denies the report in regard to the dreadnoughts *Paris* and *France* (stated in an earlier message to have been ordered for co-operation with the British Fleet in the North Sea).

M. KRASSIN IN LONDON.

M. Krassin has arrived in London.

INAUGURATION OF THE NEW U.S. PRESIDENT.

Mr. Wilson's Pathetic Condition.

(Reuter's Service.)

Washington, March 4. Mr. Harding was inaugurated President with ceremonies reminiscent of the simplicity of Washington's, contrasting strangely with the huge military and civil processions at the inaugurations of the past half-century. Promptly at 10 o'clock in the morning, in clear, cold weather, the Congressional Committee arrived at the hotel where Mr. Harding and Governor Coolidge with their families, were staying to escort them to the White House, where they picked up President Wilson. The party proceeded to the Capitol with a Cavalry escort of four troops. The retiring President's physical condition was such that as he left the White House secret servicemen had to place his feet at each succeeding step, provoking murmurs of sympathy from vast throngs. Shortly after three o'clock Mr. Harding took the oath after which the new President delivered his inaugural address, returning to the accompaniment of cheers, formally to take up his residence at the White House.

SOME AMERICAN ITEMS.

Washington, March 4. The Senate has approved President Harding's Cabinet. Mr. Wilson has not signed the Immigration and Army Bills, thus in effect vetoing them. The Senate has confirmed the nomination of Mr. Davis to represent America at the International Communications Conference.

U.S. SUBMARINES ASHORE.

New York, March 4. The United States submarines E7 and O8 have gone ashore, one at Long Island Sound and the other at Buzzard's Bay, Massachusetts. Attempts to tow off have so far failed.

CENTRAL AMERICAN DISPUTE.

Costa Rica Contemplates Reference to League of Nations. San Jose, March 4. It is stated that the Government of Costa Rica will rely on the Council of the League of Nations for a solution of the dispute with Panama referred to in the report of the 28th ult., and has indicated that it would not welcome arbitration from elsewhere.

SHIPPING NOTES.

(By "Neptune").

The debate in the Legislative Council on Thursday on the question of the imposition of shipping dues in the harbour has at any rate extracted from the Government a pledge that the tax will not be levied for more than a year. In this Colony the burden of port developments has been placed almost entirely upon local communities without the aid of the shipping companies. The proposal to have moneys collected as a light tax coming to Hongkong set aside for the development of the port of Hongkong rests on the principle that the harbour is an asset of the highest importance to the Colony. It is, as Mr. Holyoak described it, the life blood of the Colony. The commercial community have an interest in the development of the harbour. Port development is the key to development of trade. We recognise our harbour as an asset of vast importance. We invite foreign ships to this port, but we recognise it to be right that these ships using the harbour should pay a small tax to the Hongkong Government, and the money so collected should be used in improving the harbour, thus making it more and more efficient and more and more attractive to the shipping interests of all countries.

The policy of the Hongkong Government of applying such funds to port development is principal sound. We must realise that our natural harbour is a priceless possession and that its development to a high standard of efficiency is paramount. What we need is a broad, general policy on the part of the Hongkong Government, and while the present dues only relate to one aspect of what that policy should be, the principle is sound. London, Bristol and Glasgow have a tonnage tax. The tenth annual report of the Port of London Authorities for the year ending March 31, 1919, showed the sum of £859,207 collected on vessels for tonnage dues on landing at the docks at the port of London. That year vessels aggregating a net registered tonnage of 14,500,000 tons entered and cleared from the Port of London. Owing to war conditions, this net tonnage was about one-third of the nor-

mal tonnage entering and clearing.

For many years vast sums of money must be spent on improving the Hongkong harbour. We shall have to await the publication of the report of Sir Maurice Fitzmaurice, the harbour expert, to see what lines he suggests these improvements should take. A natural seaport such as Hongkong is not only a national asset but an international asset as well. A fine deep channel and a harbour equipped with the most modern docks, warehouse mechanical handling equipment and other facilities are of great benefit to all ships that use that harbour.

In spite of the depressed state of the freight market in the Far East during the last half of last year, the Admiral Line maintained its Far Eastern fleet with a twenty-one day sailing schedule from Seattle and Hongkong. The Company added Singapore and Dairen as ports of call for her cargo vessels, and several United States Shipping Board vessels were despatched last year from Puget Sound to Europe and world ports. The Admiral Line last year operated more than 250 vessels in round-the-world, transpacific and other services.

In the Old Country the Judges are beginning to take a serious view of pilfering. There pilfering has become a pestilent practice for sometime past and the shipping companies find it extremely difficult to cope with it. Business depends on transport and in order to be successful it should be honestly carried out. At the Dublin Assizes ship's fireman was sent to prison for twelve months for stealing quantity of articles of drapery from a steamer. The charge rested on the finding in the house of the fireman a scarf which formed part of the consignment that was pilfered. The Judge remarked that before he would listen to a whisper of mercy the prisoner should make a full disclosure of all the circumstances connected with the larcenies.

There is very little doing in the local freight market. The Saigon-Hongkong rate has dropped from 22 cents per picul to 18 cents. The S.S. *Kia* was an ex-German boat operated at present by the Chinese Government, has been chartered to carry

75,000 piculs of rice from Saigon to Hongkong, and the Canadian Pacific Ocean Steamship's *Mattawa*, which only arrived here on Thursday from Saigon with 6,500 tons of rice, has again been chartered on the same route for one more trip Saigon-Hongkong, to carry 120,000 piculs of rice. Both the *Hwah Wu* and the *Mattawa* would have been laid up but for the activity in this direction. A feature of the Saigon-Hongkong trade this year has been the chartering of big vessels like the *Mattawa* and others. No less than seven trips have been fixed with boats for 80,000 piculs. This has been due to the scarcity of small vessels. In normal times before the War there used to be thirty to forty Norwegian boats of 2,000 to 3,000 tons on the Saigon and Bangkok runs. To-day there are not more than five or six Norwegian vessels. The Indo-China Steam Navigation Company have no boats this year on the Hongkong-Saigon run. Usually the Company fixes at least one or two boats on this run. On the Bangkok route the Indo-China Navigation have fixed one or two boats. Most of the Indo-China vessels are being profitably employed in the North, at Dairen, Tientsin, etc. The China Navigation Company have no boats of theirs on the Saigon track. They used to fix a few on this run, but on the Bangkok-Hongkong line there are a few China Navigation vessels employed. A large number of Japanese boats have been fixed for Bangkok for the carriage of rice. It is estimated that some 50,000 tons have been fixed on Bangkok-Hongkong trips at rates ranging from 25 cents to 45 cents per picul. A few have also been taken on time charter. Saigon charterers have also taken two Japanese steamers for the carriage of rice, but some Chinese shippers are still boycotting Japanese shipping.

ORGAN RECITAL.

The following is the programme of the organ recital to be given on Monday next in St. John's Cathedral at 9.15 p.m.:—
Sonata in F minor, Mendelssohn.
Panis Angelicus, Franck.
Miss. B. Meischke.
Intermezzo from Cavalleria Rusticana, Mascagni.
Largo, Handel.
Requiem, Gounod.
Miss B. Meischke.
Finale (Patheic Symphony), Tchaikowsky.

DAY BY DAY.

The Right Rev. Bishop Banister is to preach at St. Andrew's Church, Kowloon, on Sunday evening at 6 p.m.

Amongst those present at the St. Paul's Institution prize-giving yesterday were the Director of Education (Mr. Irving), Mr. E. Ralphs, the Rev. Fr. Robert, the visiting French Bishops, Mr. Teesdale Mackintosh and Mrs. Holyoak.

Last evening, in the H.K.C.C. tournaments, the match between Ng Sze-kwong and Chao Man-ning against E. E. Brown and H. Krebs, in the Championship Doubles, was played off, it having been postponed from the previous Wednesday, when bad light made a finish impossible. A good game was witnessed, the Chinese pair eventually winning by 6-4, 6-4 and 6-2.

A successful whist drive was held last evening in the Wilt's Sergeants' Mess, Murray Barracks. The following were the prize winners:—Ladies—1st, Mrs. T. B. Smith (158); 2nd, Mrs. Anderson (156); 3rd, Mrs. Stroud (155); Booby, Mrs. Cousins (127). Gents—1st, Mr. Pullen (173); 2nd, Mr. Butcher (166); 3rd, Mr. Hamby (163); Booby, Mr. Wragg (121). R. Q. M. S. Miller capably fulfilled the duties of M. C.

Many residents will bear with extreme regret of the death of Captain Sidford, who was formerly well-known as one of the China Navigation Company's skippers, and who in latter years had been a member of the Manila *Legion* of *Legionnaires*, Messrs. Bailey and Sidford. Recently he came to Hongkong suffering from sprue and left by the s.s. *Anchises* for home, where Mrs. Sidford now is, in order to recuperate. He became worse on the voyage and died at Colombo. Much sympathy will be felt for Mrs. Sidford in her sad bereavement.

THE PRESS IN THE FAR EAST.

According to the decision reached at the conference held in Osaka by journalists and correspondents of Japan it is reported a mass meeting of journalists in the Far East will be held in Tokyo on the 8th of April.

PRESIDENT HARDING, who was inaugurated as 29th President of the United States yesterday.

TO-DAY'S EXCHANGE.

The closing rate of the dollar, on demand, to-day was 2s. 2½d.

LIGHTING-UP TIME.

Lighting-up time to-day is 6.23 p.m.

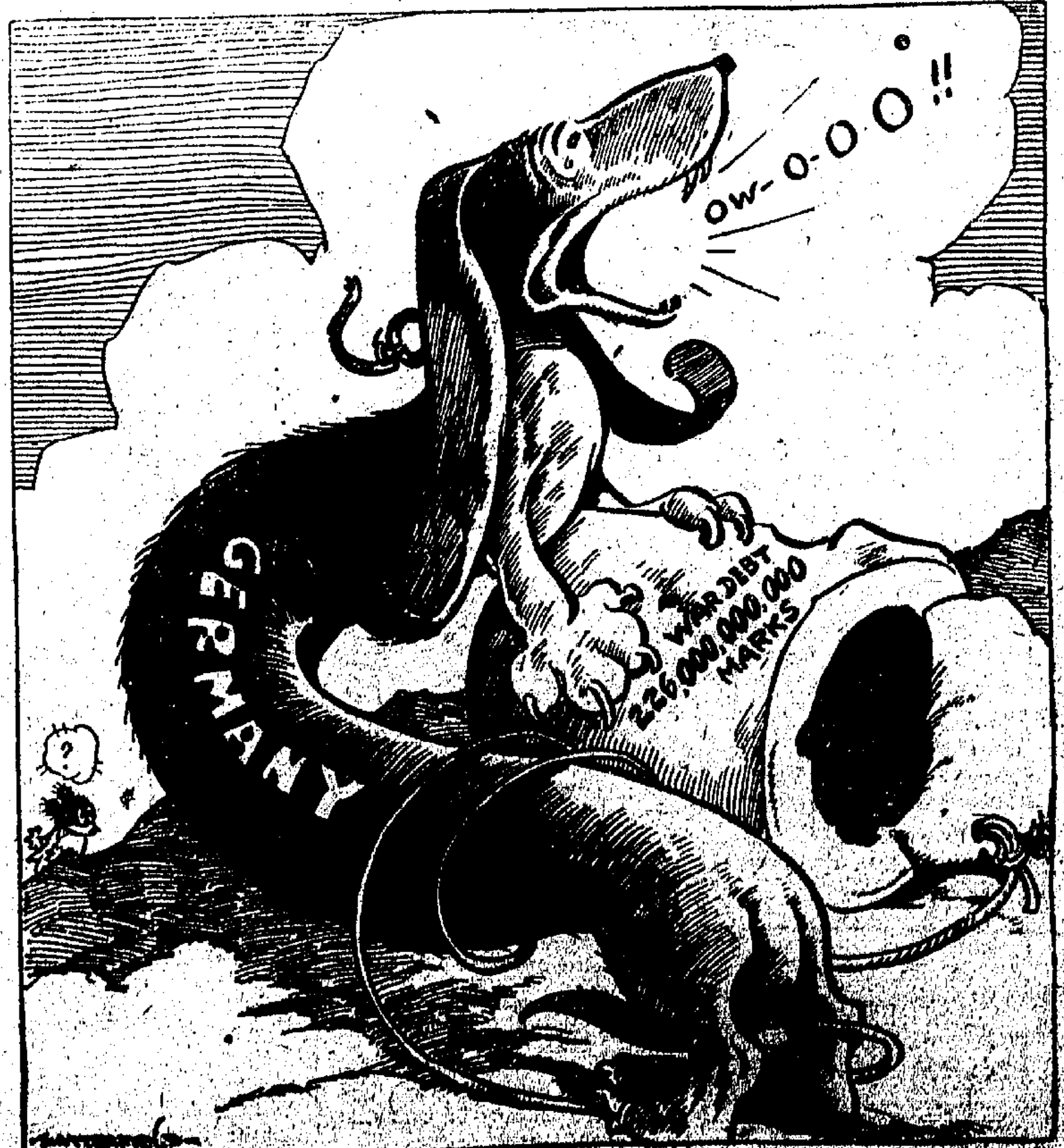
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To-day.

Theatre Royal.—Warwick Comedy Co. presents "Brown Sugar"—9.15 p.m.
Coronet Theatre—5.15 and 9.15 p.m.
Hongkong Theatre—5.15, 7.15 and 9.15 p.m.

To-morrow.

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ST. PAUL'S INSTITUTION.

Prize Distribution.

The prize distribution of St. Paul's Institution (Anglo-French School), Causeway Bay, held yesterday afternoon, was marked by an excellent concert which greatly delighted the large gathering who assembled. Among those present were Lady Stubbs, Archbishop Norel and several French Bishops.

A long and varied programme was presented, and the results achieved speak eloquently of the careful training which the pupils received. There were songs, a dance, recitations and piano duet, the contributors including the Misses S. Gain, E. Gaillard, Marjorie Stewart, V. Young, F. Hamilton, K. Simmons, Edith Soares, D. Stewart, M. Hansen, A. Steel, G. Johnson, J. Cornelissen, M. Stewart, E. Muller, M. Marsot and Master G. Young.

The annual report of the Headmistress was read by Rev. Fr. Maria as follows:—The school premises have already been reported upon as being spacious, well lighted and ventilated, and in every way suitable. Doctor S. S. Strahan visited the establishment and the school children at the end of June, 1920. He found the children in excellent health and the sanitary arrangements of the school perfect. There has been no sickness amongst the children all through the school year. The school continues to maintain a good attendance. The numbers on the rolls for 1919-1920 being 170 and 165 respectively. A number of English girls left for England last year, but most of them have returned to the Colony and are now attending the school. The average attendance for February this year thus shows an increase of 25 per cent. on that of the same month last year. A new certificated teacher came out from Europe last year to help in the upper classes. The staff is therefore adequate according to the Code. The discipline throughout the year has been very good. Last year in his report, Mr. Ralph, I.E.S., remarked that the tone and general spirit prevailing in the school were excellent. I am happy to say that this good spirit still exists, there being an excellent "Entente Cordiale" between teachers and pupils. Six pupils were presented for the Local University Examinations, one Senior and five Juniors. All passed except one Junior. Two candidates obtained distinction, one in French and one in biblical knowledge. The quarterly examinations were held in all classes in December last, and the results were satisfactory. Miss Marjorie Stewart obtained the highest marks in English and won the Lugard Scholarship; Miss P. Ruttonjee won the special test prize presented by Rev. Father Robert. Drawing, painting and needlework continue to be favourite subjects, and some excellent results have been obtained in all the classes. The classes for French are well attended, and notable progress has been made by many of the pupils. The special class for Chinese also continues to be very successful. The number attending this class varies from 35 to 40. These girls are drafted into suitable classes as soon as they are able to follow the regular curriculum. An evening class for Pittman's shorthand was started in January and is well attended, and typewriting is taught to those who desire it. New modern maps for the teaching of Geography were obtained from England during the year. Physical exercises and Swedish Drill (according to the syllabus of the Board of Education at home) have been adopted and prove very beneficial to the pupils. The spacious grounds surrounding the school are particularly suitable for these exercises. The pupils are very keen on athletics, several having obtained 1st and 2nd prizes at the different sports held in Hongkong. In conclusion, the Rev. Mother Superior and the staff wish to thank Lady Stubbs for kindly coming to give out the prizes, and also the following for their kind contributions towards the prize fund: Sir Robert Ho Tung, Sir Ellis Kadoorie, Hon. P. H. Ho, Mr. Ho Fook, Mr. Ho Kom-tong, Mr. Choa Po Sien, Dr. Johnson, Mrs. Carroll, His Lordship Bishop Pozzoni and Rev. Father Robert. They also wish to thank Mr. J. M. Neronha and Mr. Chanatong for kindly arranging the stage for the ceremony, Madame Flint for so kindly providing the costumes, also the Electric Light Co. and Mr.



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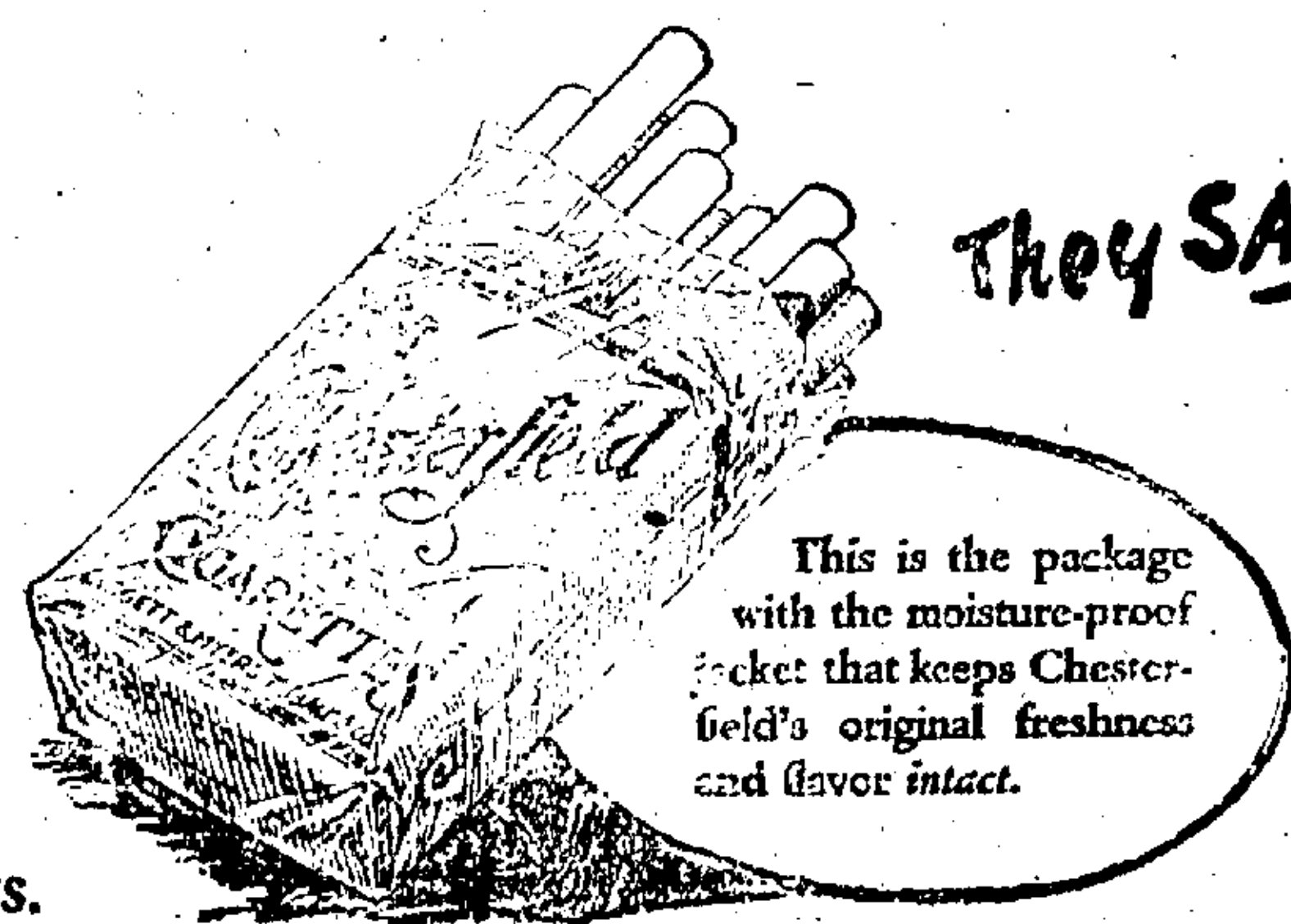
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SHANGHAI TRAMWAY- MEN'S STRIKE.

Shanghai, March 4.
The tramway strike situation remains unchanged.

CHINESE COTTON EXCHANGE.

Shanghai, March 4.
A Chinese cotton exchange, the first in the history of China, has been opened here.

Cronin for lights and Mr. Anderson for the loan of a good piano. The Rev. Mother Superior and staff wish to avail themselves of this occasion to thank the Government for the grant of \$10,000, accorded to help to pay the heavy debt incurred by the School building. They wish to thank particularly the Hon. Mr. C. Severn who visited the establishment and who so kindly voted for the Grant. (Applause).

Lady Stubbs distributed the prizes and at the conclusion was presented with a beautiful bouquet.

Infants Classes.

Good Conduct and General Progress Kindergarten.—Helen Powrie, Margaret Small, Arthur O'Hoy, Ruth Sum, Cecilia Pei, Charlotte Small, Sulma Hassan, George Hey-shing, Gussie Young, Fanny Leong, Rosy Perry, Gillian Pearce, Lily Chue, Audrey Wingo, Rose Pau, Miranda Rocha, Marie Therese Gain, Marie Louis Gain, Edna Sprinkle, Nora Franco, Agnes Wong, Annie O'neil, Alice Kaur, Katie Bowen, Elizabeth Ypey, Jacqueline Ypey, Joice Kaur, Eric Souza, Elele Lammert, Ernie Lammert, Nora Brown.

Lower Classes.

Class 8.—General Progress:—Mary Kong, Ivy Ackber, Kathleen Kaur, Gladys Johnson. General Progress and Music:—Marguerite Lau, Reward:—Ellen Mostini.

Class 7.—Good Conduct and General Application:—Audrey Steel. Regular Attendance and Progress:—Sylvia Heyshing. Religious Knowledge and French:—Mary de Lasala. General Progress:—Gracy Goldfinch, Alma O'Hoy, Lily Barretto, Mary Marsh, Kathleen McEwen, Marion Cur-reem, Nize Soares, Kathleen McKay, Marie Nolasco, Gladys Souza.

General Progress and Music and French:—Jeannette Cornelissen and Suzan Greenfield.

Rewards for Application:—Heraida Leite, Marcelle Gain, Daphne Nicol and Lina Silva Netto.

Class 6.—Regular Attendance and Progress:—Dora Stewart. Good Conduct and General Progress:—Nancy McEwen. General Application, Progress and Music:—Marjorie Hansen. General Progress, French and Music:—Lily Shearer. General Progress and French:—Mercedes Muller, Elsa

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Annie Mok, Carrie Chan, Molly Tam. Rewards for Special Application:—Rosie Ip, Emily Wan and Daisy Young.

Remove Classes. Class 5: General Proficiency and Regular Attendance:—Betty Steel. (Continued on Page 5.)

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EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

UNITED STATES POLICY.

Washington, March 4. President Harding was inaugurated at the Capitol at Washington to-day as the twenty-ninth President of the United States.

President Harding, in his inaugural address, said the progress of the United States proved the wisdom of the inherited policy of non-involvement in the affairs of the old world. The new administration did not intend to become entangled in those affairs. The United States cannot become a party to any permanent military alliance nor assume any foreign economic obligations. Nevertheless the United States was ready to confer with the nations of the world with the view to recommending a way for almost complete disarmament. He favoured the creation of a World Court for the settlement of justiciable questions which nations agree to submit thereto but "every commitment of the United States must be made in the exercise of national sovereignty."

The United States, in the new order of finance of trade, meant to promote enlarged activities and seek expanded confidence. As regards "our supreme task" he said "we shall give no people just cause to make war as we hold no national prejudices and entertain no spirit of revenge, do not hate, nor covet, nor dread conquest and do not boast armed prowess, but if war again is forced on us we earnestly hope a way may be found to unify individual and collective strength and consecrate all America materially and spiritually to national defence."

He advocated the protection of industries, saying that "higher production costs must be reflected in our import tariffs to-day as never before. When peoples are seeking trade restoration and expansion our tariffs must be adjusted to the new order. We cannot sell successfully unless we carry, and opportunities in the new era in production and transportation, trade can best be seized by carrying cargoes in American bottoms to the markets world."

ANTI-BOLSHEVIST RISINGS.

London, March 4. A wireless message from Moscow makes first mention of an anti-Bolshevik rising at Petrograd by General Kozlovski and on the ship "Opavlovsk". The outbreak, as a matter of form, is attributed to Entente machinations. It is reported from Stockholm that troops have been summoned from the North to Petrograd and have apparently gained the upperhand. The seamen have been sent back to their ships and the workmen to factories. Artillery swept the streets on March 2nd and suppressed an opposition. Meanwhile it is stated the revolt is spreading all over the country. Peasants are resisting the seizure of corn and compulsory wood hewing for railways. The President of the Soviet Committee admits the riots.

Later. Anti-Bolshevik risings in Russia are now admitted. A Moscow wireless says there is "no doubt the mutiny of General Kozlovski and on the ship Petropavlovsk was prepared by Entente spies, like the former White Guard mutinies. It is clear that the Kronstadt revolt is directed from Paris and that it will be rapidly liquidated. The Entente undoubtedly spread the nets and not Kronstadt alone. It is the task of the Red Guards to destroy the nets."

TRADE UNIONS.

London, March 4. The Executive Council of the American Federation of Labour has decided on severance of relations with the International Federation of Trades Unions of Europe owing to the latter's "revolutionary activities" and failure to recognise the national autonomy of trade union centres in various countries.

IRISH BARONET'S SON RETURNING.

Melbourne, March 4. Mr. Esmonde, mentioned on Jan. 20th, sailed to Vancouver on board the Makura on which he has been detained in Sydney harbour since Jan. 11.

SHIPPING AGREEMENT.

Washington, March 4. The Shipping Board, reporting to the Senate, declares that the agreement between the International Mercantile Marine Corporation and the British Admiralty requiring the Corporation to operate ships without injuring British commerce is inimical to the policy of the United States in respect of the development of its trade and commerce and at variance with the letter and spirit of the Merchant Marine Act 1920.

UNKNOWN WARRIORS.

Washington, March 4. The House of Representatives passed a resolution authorising the conferment of the Congressional Medal of Honour on the unknown British and French warriors buried in Westminster Abbey and at the Arc de Triomphe.

FORDNEY BILL DEAD.

Washington, March 4. The House of Representatives has failed to pass the Fordney Bill mentioned on Feb. 17 and 28 which President Wilson vetoed. The bill is now dead.

THE DAVIS CUP.

New York, March 4. Canada has issued a challenge for the Davis Cup.

OBITUARY.

Paris, March 4. The death of General Mercier is announced.

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ST. PAUL'S INSTITUTION.

(Continued from Page 2.)

General Progress and Regular Attendance: Betty Pearson. General Progress and Catechism: Emily Landolt. General Progress and Drawing: May O'Hoy, Florence She. Drawing: Nanny Wong. General Progress and Drawing: Leonora Baretto. General Application and Progress: Joyce Ismail. Reward for Application: Nancy Ismail. Reward for Application and French: Gertrude. Reward for Application, Music and French: Simone Gain, Chrissie Allison, Andree Vivier.

Class 4.—General Proficiency: Jean O'Hoy. General Application, Progress and Drawing: Frances Heyshing. General Application, Progress and Needlework: Florence Hansen. General Progress and Drawing: Agnes Pau. General Progress and Needlework and French: Mimmie Karavana. Rewards for Application and Progress: Beatrice Hardwick, Mary Gandall, Angelina Perpetuo.

Preliminary Class. General Progress, French and The Dugard Scholarship: Marjorie Stewart. General Application, French and Special Test Prize: Farrin Rutonjee. English Composition, Drawing, Needlework: Kathleen Simmons. Arithmetic, Drawing and Needlework: Leonora Collaco. General Progress and Music: Vera Stanley. Reward for Good Conduct, General Application and French: Honora Burden. Reward for General Progress: Nena Perpetuo.

Higher Classes. General Proficiency and The Hongkong University Senior Certificate: Margaret Pon. General Proficiency, French and The Hongkong University Junior Certificate: Emilia Rossett. General Progress and The Hongkong University Junior Certificate: Ruby Young. General Progress and The Hongkong University Junior Certificate: Elsa Muller. General Progress, Distinction in French and The Hongkong University Junior Certificate: Marie Lobato. English Composition, Literature and Special Prize for Music: Florrie Hamilton. English Composition and Literature: Adeline dos Remedios. Good Conduct, General Application and French: Edith Dixon. English History, Biblical Knowledge, Drawing and Needlework: Edith Soares. Good Conduct, General Application, French and Needlework: Vivienne Young. General Progress: Gertrude Simmons. Reward for General Application and French: Mercedes Garziz, Enid Lo. English Composition, Drawing and Needlework: Constance Smith. General Progress, Drawing, Needlework and French: Rosebud Young. Geography, Arithmetic and Drawing: Rosie Xavier. General Progress and Drawing: Geraldine Smith. Arithmetic, Drawing, Needlework and French: Mary Pau. General Progress: Emilie Gaillard. General Progress and Arithmetic: Leonora O'Brien. General Progress: Laura Lobato. Reward for Good Conduct, Application and French: Isabel Bell. Reward for Progress: Edith Anderson.

Special Certificates. Good Conduct, Distinction in Biblical Knowledge, Painting and Needlework: Emilia Rossett. Good Conduct, Music, Painting, French and Needlework: Elsa Muller. Good Conduct, French and Needlework: Ruby Young. Good Conduct, Music, Drawing and Needlework: Emilie Gaillard. Good Conduct, General Application and Regular Attendance: Jean O'Hoy, Alice Dick.

"SHAKESPEARE A LITTLE ENGLAND" Shakespeare was distinctly a little Englander, says Professor Tacker Brook.

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HONGKONG.

HANKOW ELECTION CAMPAIGN. established a branch in Hankow. The Kong Sheng-shu, a faction and has taken up the election organised by Premier Kin Yun-campan, with considerable peng and others, has sent its funds, as if in a very influential representatives to Hankow and position.

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33 x 4	Dunlop (Straight side)	75.00	13.50
33 x 4	Sioux (Straight side)	88.50	13.50
34 x 4	Fisk (Clincher Plain tread)	60.00	15.50
34 x 4	Fisk (Straight side) N.S.	70.00	15.50
34 x 4	Sioux (S.S.)	90.00	15.50
34 x 4	Dunlop (S.S.)	95.00	15.50
35 x 4	Dunlop (Clincher)	95.00	16.00
35 x 4	U.S. Chain (S.S.)	100.00	16.00
37 x 5	Dunlop (Clincher or S.S.)	130.00	20.00
815 x 105	Sioux (Clincher)	75.00	14.00
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COMPANY REPORT.

China Sugar Refining Co., Ltd.

The report for presentation to the shareholders at the forty-third annual general meeting of the China Sugar Refining Co., Ltd., to be held at the offices of the General Agents on Friday, 18th March, states:

The General Agents beg to submit to the Shareholders their Report on the Company's business for the year ending 31st December 1920. The Working Account for the year 1920, after adding \$33,806.77 brought forward from previous year, shows a credit balance of \$2,996,741.11, out of which an Interim Dividend of \$15 per share was paid on 21st August last. The General Agents (Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd.) and the Consulting Committee recommend the following further appropriation:

Interim Dividend of \$15 per share	\$ 300,000.00
To place to Sugar Fluctuation Account	700,000.00
To place to Equalization of Dividend Fund	300,000.00
To place to Employees' Provident Fund	100,000.00
To place to Building Reserve	140,000.00
To write off Patent Rights	50,000.00
To pay a Bonus to Staff	39,950.00
To pay a Final Dividend of \$65 per share	1,300,000.00
To carry forward to the new account	75,781.11
Total	\$2,996,741.11

Consulting Committee: The Committee consists of Hon. Sir Paul Chater, Kt., C.M.G., Messrs. F. Maitland, A. O. Lang and H. P. White, who offer themselves for re-election.

Auditors: The Accounts have been audited by Messrs. H. Percy Smith, F.C.A. and A. R. Lowe, F.C.A., who offer themselves for re-election.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD., General Agents.

PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT.

To Interest	\$ 68,871.61
To Amount written off Buildings	6,141.51
To Amount written off Machinery	29,405.97
To Remuneration to Consulting Committee	2,600.00
To Auditors' Fees	1,000.00
To Balance Profit as per Balance Sheet	2,992,934.34
	\$3,070,888.13

By Gain on Working Account

\$3,070,888.13

BALANCE SHEET.

CAPITAL AND LIABILITIES.

Capital 20,000 shares at \$100 each fully paid up	\$2,000,000.00
Equalization of Dividend Fund	300,000.00
Sugar Fluctuation Account	700,000.00
Repairs and Renewals Account	100,000.00
Exchange Fluctuation Account	210,896.52
Employees' Provident Fund	27,282.64
Sundry Creditors	392,173.19
Profit and Loss Account	
Credit Balance, as per last Account	\$ 33,806.77
Profit for year to date, as per Statement	2,992,934.34
	\$2,996,741.11

Less: Interim Dividend paid on 21st August, 1920 300,000.00 || | 2,696,741.11 |

\$2,696,741.11

ASSETS.

Property Account consisting of:

Land:	
East Point Refinery	\$150,000.00
Hongkong Distillery	18,970.49
Swatow Refinery	18,137.42
	\$487,107.91

Buildings: || East Point Refinery | \$215,000.00 |
| Less written off for depreciation (2½%) | 6,141.51 |
| | \$208,858.49 |

Additions in 1920 \$239,518.57 || | \$240,289.42 |

Hongkong Distillery 1,000.00 || Swatow Refinery | 1,000.00 |
| | \$242,289.42 |

MACHINERY.

East Point Refinery \$ 391,079.69 || Less written off for depreciation (7½%) | 29,405.97 |
| | \$361,673.72 |

Additions and renewals in 1920 58,919.49 || | 420,593.21 |

Raw and Refined Sugar Stocks 1,184,309.63 || Charcoal, Coal, Stores, Launch, Water and Patent Rights, &c. | 558,215.27 |
| Cash at Bankers (Hongkong & Java) | 1,387,419.27 |

NOTICE.

Our Manager, Mr. H. Cayrou, being on leave to Paris, we beg to inform our Clients that from this date, Mr. H. Geoffroy will take over the Management of our Branch in Hongkong during Mr. Cayrou's absence.

FAR EAST OXYGEN AND ACETYLENE CO., LTD.
14, Des Vœux Road, Ctl.
Hongkong, 3rd March 1921.

NOTICE OF REMOVAL.

M. J. D. STEPHENS, Solicitor.
The Office has been REMOVED to 1st Floor, No. 15, Connaught Road, Central, (beyond the Post Office).
Hongkong, March 1st, 1921.

HONGKONG HOTEL CO., LTD.

NOTICE is hereby given that the ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held at the Comra-y's Hotel, Hongkong, on SATURDAY, 19th MARCH, 1921, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Board of Directors, together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1920.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
J. H. TAGGART, Manager.
Hongkong, 2nd March, 1921.

CHURCH SERVICES.

A CHARGE OF ONE DOLLAR IS MADE FOR ALL NOTICES UNDER THIS HEADING.

St. John's Cathedral, Hongkong.
6th March, 1921, 4th Sunday in Lent. Holy Communion (7.50 a.m.) Children's Service (10 a.m.) Matins 11 a.m. (Cathedral Choir). Responses, Ferial; Venite, Barnby (21st); Psalm, 119 (v. 145 to 160), Barnby, G. P. after 160; Te Deum, Oakley, Turle, Tallis (2nd day); Benedictus, Troutbeck; Anthem, "Lead kindly Light," Stainer; Hymn, 197; Preacher, The Rt. Rev. The Lord Bishop of Victoria. Subject:—Christianity in relation to international and industrial problems; Holy Communion (12 noon), Evensong (6 p.m.) (Auxiliary Choir); Responses, Ferial; Psalm, 40 (Turle); Magnificat, Smart; Nunc Dimittis, Barnby; Hymns, 254, 238, 256; Organ Recital on Monday, March 7th at 9.15 p.m.

The Wesleyan Church, Wanchai, (opposite Royal Naval Hospital), Sunday, March 6th. Divine Service and Church Parade. 10.15 a.m. Subject: "Adventures and Problems" Evening Service 6.00. Subject: "Communion and Union" Preacher, Rev. C. Clouston. Porri. H.C.F. Afternoon 3.00. Children's Service and Sunday School. Church parade of 1st. Wanchai Boy Scouts at 10.15 a.m. Holy Communion at close of Evening Service. The Wesleyan Sailor's Home (Corner of Arsenal Street). Sunday 8.15 p.m. Gospel Meeting. Wednesday 8.15 p.m. Wesley Guild. Tuesday and Friday. 5.30 p.m. Parades 1st Wanchai Boy Scouts: Thursday 8.15 p.m. S.C.A. Friday, 3 to 5 p.m. Ladies' Sewing Meeting and Tea.

First Church of Christ, Scientist, MacDonnell Road.—Sunday, 11.15 a.m.; Wednesday 5.30 p.m.

Cash in Hand	7,694.68
Sundry Debtors	384,797.63
Shipments less advances	1,544,607.44
	\$6,257,098.46

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NOTICE.

SOCIETY OF ST. GEORGE, HONGKONG.

The Annual General Meeting of the Society will be held in the City Hall on Friday, 11th March at 5.30 p.m. for the following purposes:—
(a) To receive the report of the Committee and statement of accounts for the past year.
(b) To elect the Officers and Committee for the ensuing year.
(c) To consider the manner in which next St. George's Day shall be celebrated.
(d) To transact any other business of which due notice has been given.
All members are requested to attend.
C. BLAKER, Hon. Secretary
Hongkong, 1st March, 1921.

REPULSE BAY HOTEL.

The Dining and Dancing accommodation is fully booked for the night of WEDNESDAY, 9th March, 1921.

REPULSE BAY HOTEL.

The approach roads to the above Hotel are closed temporarily for the purpose of regrading. Patrons are, therefore, kindly requested to use the steps opposite the main entrance until completion of such work.

NOTICE.

Messrs. Little, Adams & Wood have removed their offices to the New Building on Murray Battery Lower Albert Road.

SATURDAY BANKING HOURS.

By agreement between the Exchange Banks, SATURDAY BANKING HOURS in Hongkong, beginning on Saturday the 5th March, 1921, will be as follows:—
From 9.30 a.m. to 12 Noon only
For all Banking Business.
Hongkong, 1st March, 1921.

WAR MEMORIAL.

SUBSCRIPTION LIST.

For the erection by Public Subscription, of a building to be run on Y.M.C.A. lines, to be called the War Memorial Institute and to be managed for the joint use of the Navy, the Army and Civilian by a Joint Board of Directors.

A portion of the sum raised will be devoted to the erection of a permanent stone memorial which will be put in hand at an early date.

Lists may be found at:—
Messrs. Lane Crawford
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The Hongkong Club
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The Club Lusitano
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The Victoria Recreation Club
The Kowloon Cricket Club
The Kowloon Bowling Club
The Peak Club
The Club de Recreio
The Craigie Tower Club
M. J. BREEN, Hon. Secretary War Memorial Committee.

CHINA SUGAR REFINING COMPANY LIMITED.

NOTICE.

The Forty-Third Ordinary Annual Meeting of the Shareholders of the above Company will be held at the Offices of the General Agent, Pedder's Street, on Friday the 18th March at 11.00 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report and Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December 1920.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from the 4th to 18th March, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD.
General Agents.
Hongkong, 18th February, 1921.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

NOTICE.

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

The Final Dividend declared for the year ending 31st December, 1920, at the rate of Three Pounds Sterling together with a Bonus of Two Pounds Sterling per share is payable on after Monday the 28th day of February 1921, at the Offices of the Corporation, where shareholders are requested to apply for warrants. By Order of the Court of Directors

A. G. STEPHEN,

Chief Manager.

Hongkong 26th. February 1921.

PUBLIC AUCTIONS.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction on

Wednesday, the 9th. March 1921.

commencing at 3 p.m.

at their Sales Rooms, Duddell Street

A Collection of Prize Poultry

comprising:—Champion white Leghorns, Anconas, Black Orpingtons, and Plymouth rocks, Winners of Cups and numerous First Prizes Australia, Canada and Hongkong

as follows:—

Plymouth rocks

1 cock and 6 hens

Black Orpingtons

1 cock and 4 hens

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Eggs from these birds have been selling at \$15 and \$20 a setting

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Splendid head, short body, low and cloddy, big bone, in excellent condition for the next Show.

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THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction on

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commencing at 11.15 a.m.

at C. Godown of the Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co., Ltd., Kowloon

(for account of the concerned)

115 Bales Green Line Gunnies

43 x 29 (2½ lbs.)

(stored in the above godown)

25 Bales Green Line Gunnies

43 x 29 (2½ lbs.)

(stored in No. 10 Godown)

12 Bales Green Line Gunnies

44 x 26½ (2½ lbs.)

(stored in No. 51 Godown)

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"IDOMENEUS" 12th Apr. Havre & Liverpool
"AJAX" 19th Apr. Genoa, M'les, L'pool & G'gow

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"TALTHYBIUS" 16th Mar. Victoria, Seattle, Tacoma and
"TYNDAREUS" 6th Apr. Vancouver
"PROTESILAUS" 4th May

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HOMeward PASSENGER SERVICE

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"PYRRHUS" 3rd May for London
"ANCHISES" 10th June for Liverpool
"TEIRESIAS" 7th July for London

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

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are hereby notified that all
goods are being landed at their
risk into the hazardous and/or
extra hazardous Godowns of the
Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf
and Godown Co., Ltd., whence,
and/or from the wharves, delivery
may be obtained.

Goods not cleared by the 5th
March 1921 at 5 p.m. will be sub-
ject to rent.

All broken, chafed and damaged
packages are to be left in the
Godowns where they will be
examined by Messrs. Goddard &
Douglas, on 5th March, 1921,
at 10 a.m. Claims against the
steamer must be presented within
30 days of arrival otherwise they
will not be recognized.

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effected by us in any case
whatever.

Bills of Lading will be counter-
signed by

JARDINE, MATHESON,
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Hongkong, 27th February, 1921.

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

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The above named Steamer hav-
ing arrived on Friday, the
14th March, 1921, consignees of
cargo are hereby notified to pre-
sent their Bills of Lading for
countersignature, and take im-
mediate delivery from alongside
steamer or the Company's Go-
down, where all cargo impeding
immediate discharge will be land-
ed at consignee's risk.

Storage will be assessed on
cargo remaining undelivered
after Friday the 11th March,
1921.

All broken, chafed and damaged
packages will be landed into the
Company's Godowns, where same
will be examined on Monday
the 14th March, 1921, at 11 a.m.

No Claims will be recognised
after the goods have left the
steamer or Godown, and none
will be entertained if presented
later than three weeks after
arrival of steamer.

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Y. TSUTSUMI,
Manager.

Hongkong, 4th March, 1921.

CONSIGNEES.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

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will lie at Consignee's risk. The
Cargo will be ready for delivery
from Godown on and after 3rd
March.

Optional cargo will be landed,
unless notice has been given
prior to steamer's arrival.

All broken, chafed, and damag-
ed goods are to be left in the
Godowns, where they will be
examined on any Tuesdays and
Fridays between the hours of
10.45 a.m. and noon within the
free storage period.

No claims will be admitted after
the Goods have left the steamer's
Godown, and all Goods remaining
undelivered after the 8th March,
will be subject to rent.

All Claims against the Steamer
must be presented to the under-
signed on or before the 22nd
March, or they will not be
recognised.

No Fire Insurance will be
effected.

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
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Hongkong, 2nd March, 1921.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA.

From TACOMA via YOKO-
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MANILA.

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having arrived from the above
ports, Consignees of Cargo
are hereby notified that their
goods are being landed and placed
at their risk in the Hongkong and
Kowloon Wharf and Godown
Company's Godowns at Kowloon,
where delivery can be obtained
as soon as the goods are landed.

Goods not cleared by the 9th
inst. will be subject to rent.

Damaged packages must be
left in the Godowns for examina-
tion by the Consignees' repre-
sentative and the Company's
Surveyors, Messrs. Goddard and
Douglas, at 10 a.m. on Wednesday
and Saturday. All claims must be
presented within Ten days of
the steamer's arrival here, after
which date they cannot be re-
cognized. No claim will be ad-
mitted after the goods have left
the Godowns.

No fire insurance whatever
will be effected.

Consignees are requested to
send in their Bills of Lading for
countersignatures immediately.

OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA,
Y. YASUDA,
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Hongkong, 3rd March, 1921.

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THE NEW EUROPEAN STATES.
The Czech-Slovak and the
Finnish Ministers, in Tokyo
delivered speeches at Osaka last
month before a big audience at
the Osaka Asahi office at the
invitation of that journal. Both
speakers dealt with the state of
things in their respective
countries. The object of the
meeting was to acquaint the
Osaka citizens with the state of
these newly-created Republics.

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

(Continued from page 3.)

THE REPARATIONS CONFERENCE.

London, March 4.
It is universally agreed that yesterday's sitting of the Conference
at St. James's Palace is of historic importance and vied in solemnity
with the first appearance of the German delegation at Versailles after
the armistice. It is no exaggeration to say that the Prime Minister's
brilliant and forcible speech made as equally deep an impression as
M. Clemenceau's on that occasion. The Allied statesmen in London,
particularly the French, are enthusiastic over the strength, tact and
political acumen exhibited in Mr. Lloyd George's address. Papers
of all shades of opinion shower praise on the speech and describe it
as inspired by the deep moral earnestness which marked his war
eloquence at its best.

The situation is now one of great gravity but it is confidently
believed that the German Government is alive to the seriousness of
the position and will advance more sensible proposals on Monday
which will afford a basis of discussion and avert putting into
execution the Allied threats. The feeling that a peaceful solution
will be reached is reflected on the Bourse at Berlin where, even after
Mr. Lloyd George's speech was published, the market was firm and
prices generally advanced owing to the impression that the Allies
do not intend to abruptly break off negotiations. Meantime the
German Cabinet has met to discuss the ultimatum.

The "Morning Post" understands that the Allies, after consulting
their legal experts, have decided that if application of the sanctions
is necessary this can be done immediately instead of on 1st May.

GERMAN EAST AFRICA.

London, March 4.
The text of the mandate for German East Africa is published.
The territory excludes the greater portion of the provinces of Urundi
and Ruanda which passed to Belgian control. The mandate largely
follows the lines of that of German South-West Africa. It includes special
provisions for protecting the natives. One article provides that the
mandatory arrange eventual emancipation of all slaves and the
elimination of domestic and other slavery as social conditions allow.
It is laid down that strict control shall be exercised over the sale of
liquor. No native land is to be transferred, except between natives,
without leave of the authorities. Freedom of transit and navigation
and complete economic, commercial and industrial equality is to be
similarly assured to all nationals of States who are members of the
League of Nations as to the mandatory's own nationals. The same
right is to apply in respect of concessions for the development of the
territory's natural resources.

SHIPPING CRISIS THREATENED.

London, March 4.
A shipping crisis is threatened owing to the shipowners proposing
a reduction of pay for officers and seamen by about 25 a month,
bringing seamen's wages to £10 a month compared with £5 before the
war, and stewards on passenger ships to £3-5s. as compared with
£3-10s. The owners contend that economies in working only means
avoiding laying up much more tonnage and causing much unemploy-
ment.

FRENCH SEAPLANE TRAFFIC.

Paris, March 4.
The possibilities of seaplane traffic has led to starting a regular
service between Marseilles and Nice. The machines carry two
passengers.

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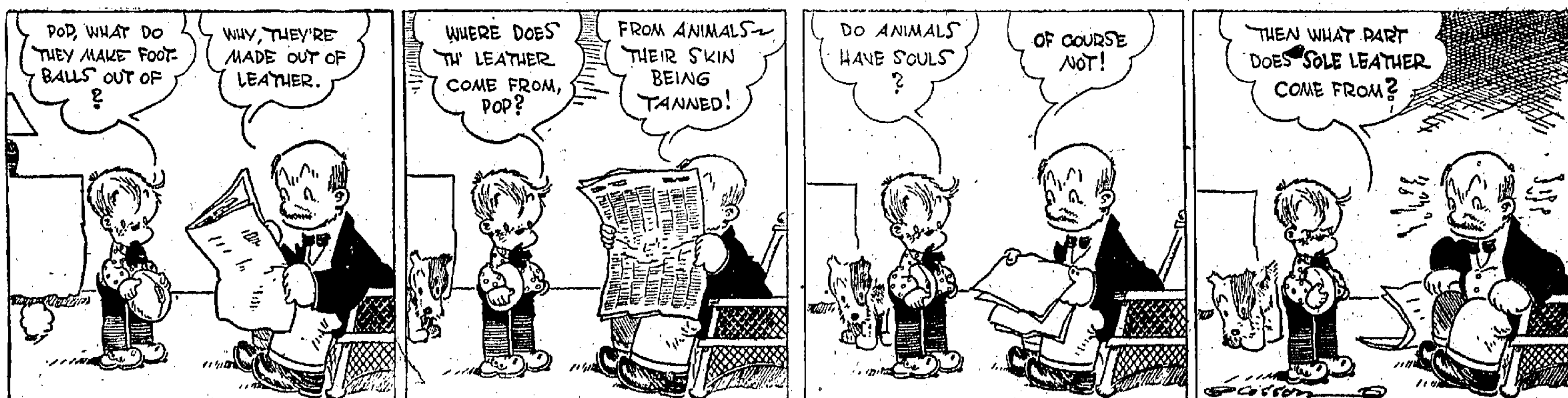
FRENCH NAVAL FORCE.

Paris, March 4.
The French Western Mediterranean Squadron is refitting at
Toulon. It is reported that the dreadnoughts Paris and France have
been ordered to be in readiness to leave for the North Sea and co-
operate with the British fleet in any naval operations which may be
contemplated.

FRECKLES AND HIS FRIENDS

Freckles Asks Too Many Questions

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Death.

Van YZEREN.—At the Peak Hospital, March 5th, Mario van Yzeren, Head of the Emigration Service of the Deli Planters' Association, in his 49th year.

The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, SATURDAY, MARCH 5, 1921.

THE COUNTER-PROPOSALS.

Mr. Lloyd George's declaration at the London Conference that the German counter-proposals constitute a mockery will be endorsed by the majority of people. Later in the day, when making a statement on the subject in Parliament, the Premier pointed out that the Paris decisions involved a substantial relaxation in the terms of the Treaty of Versailles. It is not the desire of the Allies to oppress Germany—they simply ask her to discharge the obligations she has admitted by repairing the injuries inflicted by her. Unlike the action of the Germans when framing the Treaty of Frankfurt, by which they compelled France to pay to the last farthing, the Allies are not asking for the costs of the war; they simply insist that Germany make reparation in respect of charges incurred in the respective countries by injury to life and limb and material damage to property. We ask no more and can take no less. These are not imaginary wrongs. They are injuries, the reparation of which imposes a crushing burden at this moment on the resources of the Allied countries—in these terms Mr. Lloyd George well and truly stated the case for the Allies. The British public have often been reminded of the devastation wrought in France, and any who do not yet realise the extent of it may well ponder the concrete picture of it given by the Premier. An incredible amount of this damage was done deliberately, in order to destroy essential means of production both in France and in Belgium. Britain, like France, is bearing an annual burden in respect of war pensions alone of treble the amount offered by Germany as reparation for all damages.

It is not surprising to read that when the nature of the German proposals became apparent Dr. von Simons was desired to make an end to his statement. The Allies were prepared to make all legitimate allowances for the difficulties under which the German and other peoples labour in consequence of the war, but Mr. Lloyd George cannot be accused of exaggeration when he described the counter-proposals as "an offence and an exasperation." While the invaders wrought damage upon a wholesale scale, houses in Germany, except for a few in East Prussia, were not damaged, and Germany's factories are intact. Therefore, unless reparation be made, the result of the conflict will be travestied, the victors paying the price of defeat and the vanquished reaping the fruits of victory. The Treaty of Versailles contains an important provision to the effect that taxation in Germany shall not be at a lower rate than in the Allied countries. While Germany ignores this provision, to take a single source of revenue, she is not entitled to plead inadequate means for meeting the terms fixed at Paris.

The German Press shows symptoms of defiance, encouraged thereto partly by the address which Dr. von Simons delivered at Stuttgart recently. It really seems as if the German Foreign Minister, and Germans in general, doubted whether the Allies were in earnest. Mr. Lloyd George's response to Dr. von Simons' statement of the counter-proposals must have gone a long way towards disillusioning him. If it did not, the ultimatum which the Premier outlined in the House is likely to have a salutary effect. The reply of the German delegate that there would be no occasion for coercive measures after he has given Germany's answer on Monday suggests that Dr. von Simons' eyes have been opened to the realities of the situation.

NOTES & COMMENTS.

Get a Move On!

We are wondering what the Kowloon Residents' Association, which was instrumental in securing a site for the proposed new hospital across the harbour, will think of the Government reply to the question regarding the erection of the institution. It appears that all that has been done so far, beyond a vote of \$50,000 in this year's Budget, is the completion of the sketch plans. The possibility of work on the site being commenced within two months was mentioned, the Colonial Secretary adding that when the detailed plans are finished, tenders will be invited. In our opinion, these are far from satisfactory statements; they seem to betray a spirit of procrastination which, applied to such an urgent necessity, is regrettable. There has been nothing but delay in the handling of this project since it was first advocated. First of all, the Government selected a site which was most inaccessible. Fortunately, the K.R.A.'s advice was listened to and a better location decided upon. That was months ago. Now we know for a fact that, to any nothing of the erection of the actual building, work has not even yet been begun on the site. What is more, Mr. Pollock's question was not answered at all. The latter part of it was:—"What steps are being taken to expedite the building of such hospital?" (The italics are ours). Nothing in the reply indicates that there is the least expedition being shown, either in regard to clearing the site or in the construction of the building. What information of value is there in the statement that when the detailed plans are finished, tenders will be invited? None whatever. That's the usual course, isn't it? Tenders are not ordinarily asked for until the plans are ready. What the Government fails to realise is that there is real need for haste in this matter. The necessity for a hospital has long since been established. That being so, why all the dilly-dallying?

Good News.

Having, long before the China New Year motor tragedy, commented on the dangers engendered by the throwing of explosive cracker-bombs, we are extremely gratified to see that the Government has made up its mind to prohibit the sale or use of these articles or any similar kind of fireworks which explodes by detonation. We learn by experience, and it has taken the loss of several lives to point to the absolute necessity of stopping the throwing of these missiles. Ordinary cracker-firing is not to be interfered with, much as we should like to see it materially curtailed; but the ban on these bombs is something to the good, anyhow. Since the China New Year disaster, there has been much talk of the necessity of enforcing the existing law in regard to the throwing of missiles from verandahs—and rightly so, too. But we quite realise that this is a difficult matter with which to deal satisfactorily. It is not easy, as the Government says, to identify the actual offender, and there are objections to legislating for the purpose of making the occupier of the premises from which objects are thrown criminally liable for the acts of others. All the same, it would be well if a sharp lookout is kept to check this practice, which, in regard to far more objectionable things than crackers, is at the present time all too common.

China's Soldiery.

If we are to place any confidence in Chinese official declarations, there is cause for gladness in the report that the Premier in Peking has announced the intention of the Government to disband all provincial soldiers who have enlisted since the fifth year of the Republic. Provided the decision is acted upon, one of the biggest factors embarrassing the Government should be removed. The trouble is that there are big arrears of military payments to be made, upon which matter the Premier says that these will be met, half by the Central Government and the balance by the provinces. As to where the money is coming from, nothing is said. Military officers whose forces are to be disbanded are to be given suitable posts. We hope they will all be able to fit in somewhere. But what about the men? Are they merely to be turned loose, possibly to become robbers

DAY BY DAY.

ALL TRUE WORK IS SACRED;
IN ALL TRUE WORK, WERE IT
BUT HAND LABOUR, THERE IS
SOMETHING OF DIVINENESS.—
Carlyle.

The Gazette contains lengthy regulations under the Wireless Telegraphy Ordinance, 1913.

Two wrist watches, valued at \$100, were yesterday stolen from Mr. James Steer's shop in Ice House Street.

Extensive draft regulations proposed to be made under the Vehicles and Traffic Regulation Ordinance, 1912, appear in the Gazette.

There is to be a reception at the Catholic Union to-morrow at 4.30 p.m. in honour of the 29 Bishops of the Missions Etrangères at present in the Colony.

It is notified that Mr. E. Suzuki, Consul General for Japan, has returned from leave and has resumed charge of the Japanese Consulate General.

The total output of the Kailan Mining Administration's mines for the week ending 19th February amounted to 31,374 tons and the sales during the period, to 88,553 tons.

His Excellency the Governor has appointed Mr. Harold Kennard Holmes to act as Land Officer in addition to his other duties, during the absence on leave of Mr. Philip Jacks.

Mr. G. M. Bosworth, Chairman of the C. P. O. S., arrived by the Empress of Asia yesterday. This is Mr. Bosworth's first visit to Hongkong. He was accompanied by Mrs. Bosworth and a large party.

It is notified that, at the expiration of three months, the Leung Yick Steamship Company, Limited, will, unless cause is shown to the contrary, be struck off the Register and the Company will be dissolved.

Amongst the passengers who left by the Kashgar for Home to-day were the Hon. Mr. E. V. D. Parr and Mrs. Parr, Mr. and Mrs. P. Jacks, Mr. F. A. Mackintosh, Mr. R. L. Bridger, Inspector Caygill and Inspector Pincoff.

The name of Dr. William Leslie Thomas, 35, Nathan Road, Kowloon, Member of the Royal College of Surgeons, (England), and Licentiate of the Royal College of Physicians, (London), is added to the list of medical practitioners.

Among prominent residents who have bidden farewell to Shanghai are Dr. and Mrs. J. W. Jackson and Mrs. Jenner Hogg, all of many years residence. The last named is the mother of Mrs. L. N. Leefe of Hongkong and came to China in 1867.

His Excellency the Governor has provisionally and pending instructions from the Secretary of State for the Colonies, recognised Messrs. Verne Glenn Staten and Hugh St. Elmo Miller as Vice-Consuls of the United States of America in Hongkong.

In connection with the Hongkong University Basket Ball Club, an exhibition match is to be played to-morrow afternoon between May Hall "A" (winners of the Inter-Hostel Basket Ball League) and The Rest, Mr. M. S. Northcote is to present the shield after the match.

A very successful whist Drive was held at the Catholic Men's Club on Thursday evening. In spite of the unfavourable weather there was a good attendance, 135 players participating. The following were the prize winners: Ladies: 1. Mrs. Holdman (170); 2. Mrs. Selwood (166); 3. Mrs. Lamerton (165); Booby Prize: Mrs. Reynolds (149); Gents: 1. Mr. Crouch (184); 2. Mr. Jones (177); 3. Mr. Horgan (176); 4. Mr. Spanton (174); Booby Prize: Mr. Franklin (127). The prizes were presented by Mr. E. W. Brown and Mr. Pinches acted as M.C.

and pirates? The more we look into this question, the more complex does it appear. And we very much fear that this latest announcement will not lead to an immediate solution.

THE BACK VIEW.

(By Robt. MacWhirter.)

A nice pink and white face is often yellow underneath, and many a shell-like ear canna bear inspection at the back. When ye come to think of it, onyway, it's at the back that we find the true index of most things. That's how, for instance, eaves womenfolks early acquire the knack of being able to look at themselves wi' two looking glasses at one and the same time. It's no' easy for men folk to get a southern view of themselves in this fashion but then, how many folk take a pleasure in looking after a man onyway—unless of course he happens to be a shroff? Wi' a woman, on the other hand, it's a serious business, especially if it's a windy day, and she's got an idea that a ladder's commencing at the back of her left-hand, sale-price, marked-down-from \$2.50 to \$3.75, Holeproof silk stocking. And the short skirts nowadays, keep them on the jump most all the time. Ah Kee, the tailor, might have it coming to him for the rotten way a dress droops to the side, but he cannot be expected to accept responsibility for the shape of his client's legs. That's how lots of womenfolks have to bear their crosses in secret and very often accounts for the ladies' preference for just that four inches longer, please. But, wi' all their care though, it's the back view that gives away the slitherly kind of body. The heels a wee bit to the side, the missing button at the blouse-back are but often the sign manual of a bad temper or soiled underclothing and as like as no' accounts for the husband having to see to his own tea of an evening while his soul-mate is absorbing knowledge and stale air at the Pictures.

Houses, like humans, are just the same. It's the back of the house that surely tells ye what sort of folks stay in it. If you want the right kind of dope about your neighbours, don't waste money on a field glass, but take a walk round the back way some morning. There's a queer lot of things in the backyard and hanging around the servants' quarters that never disturb the smoothness of the front tennis court. You can't tell much about folks when they step into rickshas at their front door, all dressed up and the dear sweet children in their second best Sunday clothes worn for the first time on a week day. If you are seriously contemplating loaning the man of that house perfectly good money for the most satisfactory of reasons, you'd better first have a look at the clothes line at the back and the state of Ah Chow's kitchen before you think you know all about him.

When I was at Home, one house in the terrace down our road had a couple quart milk tins inside the back gate every morning. There were only two children in that house, never much silk on the line, but these bairns had the reddest cheeks and the brightest eyes in the district, and when I come to think of it, were the best mannered as well. A door further down took in a pint of milk for a pampered poodle. It was a pest. It was a dog I would feed on worms. It wheezed during the day and yowled at night: when it was tired doing that it moped around the back, green frankly hating itself and the rest of the world. The folks in that house used condensed milk themselves and kept an undergrown servant wi' three nights out a week and ingrown toenails.

Some back yards had vegetables in them, some had flowers and others, empty tins. I always noticed that the gardens wi' vegetables in the summer had no empty tins on the midden heap during winter.

Some gardens had no clothes lines disturbing the view. The laundry van called there once a week. Strange to say, these places were usually the ones where the woman had no kiddies and was out every afternoon when she wasn't "At Home." The big families did their own washing. Their line was usually full up at the forepart of each week. Ye could call on them ony afternoon, for their chimney smoked at regular intervals denoting systematic feeding. Others there were who seemed to have a running buffet going all the time and their strong suit in the chow line appeared to be cream crackers and sardines when they weren't finishing off the mutton from last Sunday's dinner.

Aye, have a look round this back some fine morning. A brief squint at your own rear view will pay you. What's more forbye, unlike the present advice, it'll cost you nothing.

The same applies, for instance, to this Russian business. To judge from the number of books published of late anent that country, rushing through Russia seems to be quite the fashion. Lots of writers go to that unhappy land for a brief and restless holiday and then sit down and tell us the real undiluted truth about the bright and brutal Bolshevik. Mr. H. G. Wells, I notice, has added himself to that number. He was in Russia with his young son for 15 days. A nice place to take one's family for a holiday trip, eh? His story, forming a volume thin in bulk, has already been purveyed in serial form to the pampered readers of our Home Sunday Press. Nearly all notable books make their first bow to the public in that way nowadays.

I grant you, though, that Mr. Wells can see as much in 15 days as most people can see in as many months. What I'm getting at is that in so short a space of time it could only have been a front view he was fortunate enough to get. It takes longer and requires much more observation to have to go round the back way. Mind ye, I'm no' saying but what Mr. Wells carries in his head a pair of wide angle lenses wi' great power of recording detail. That they are astigmatic is neither here nor there. The point is that even the most powerful glasses canna see round corners, and I maintain it is the back view of most things that tells us most onyway.

Of course, on the other hand, Wells is no ordinary man. Already he has written the whole history of humanity from the earliest ages, so that he's no slouch at the game of diagnosing the ills national. To such a man to feel the national pulse is easy money. Surely then, one who has reduced all human life to a few hundred pages, with illustrations, can boil down all that is known or knowable about Russia from shapeless protoplasm to the bifurcated Bolshevik, into 150 pages and find a fortnight quite sufficient for the job. Though arguing thus wi' myself, still I have a doubt whether Mr. Wells has said the last word on the Russian paradise. Maybe one or two details in the backyard of affairs have escaped him. When he says that there is no looting in Petrograd, it's probably because there's nothing else left to loot. The same abundant self-confidence that disposed of a few million years of recorded and (mostly) unrecorded history is again apparent here. I believe, on the other hand, that the man is perfectly honest—wi' himself, I canna imagine for a moment that he went to Russia wi' impressions already ready-made, like some less acute observers.

The Bolsheviks seemed to have feared as much. In Petrograd, we are told, they asked him not to let them down as Mrs. Philip Snowden and Mr. Bertrand Russell had done. Mr. Wells made no rash promises, but all the same friend Bolshe does not emerge wi' much credit from his analysis. His final decision is fairly expressed in the following paragraph:—

"This Bolshevik Government is at once the most temerarious and the least experienced governing body in the world. In some directions its incompetence is amazing. In most its ignorance is profound. Of the diabolical cunning of 'capitalism' and of the subtleties of reaction it is ridiculously suspicious and sometimes it takes fright and is cruel. But essentially it is honest. It is the most simple-minded government that exists in the world to-day."

If I was thinking of going to Russia the day after to-morrow, I doubt whether I could find much comfort in such a description. I think I'd be pretty much in the same position as the old darkie woman who, after an earthquake, removed from a brick built church to a wooden one. Her excuse was that, while she trusted the Lord, she thought at the same time there was no use fooling wi' Him!

WARWICK COMEDY CO.

Last night's audience at the Theatre Royal immensely enjoyed the Warwick Comedy Company's presentation of the delightful comedy, "When We Were Twenty-One." The play was very popular on the occasion of the Company's last visit, and last night it was enjoyed even more than ever, all the characters being well taken.

To-night the Company winds up its season with "Brown Sugar," an ideal play for a Saturday night, and a crowded house is expected to give the Company a good send-off.

1896.

HONGKONG TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO.

Compiled from the "Hongkong Telegraph" files for week ending March 4th, 1896.

THE DOLLAR.

March 6th.—The rate of the Dollar, on demand, to-day is 2s. 2-1/2d.

A BILLIARDS MATCH.
March 7th.—Last night the "Vic" was crowded on the occasion of the final in the billiards handicap which Messrs. Rutter and Severn played off. The former, who conceded to his opponent 65 points, won easily by 75 points, after a capital exhibition of billiards. The trophy was presented to Mr. Rutter by Host Farmer, who warmly congratulated him on his skill and well-deserved success. The second prize was presented to Mr. Severn and the prize for the largest break to Mr. Koroski.

MARRIED OR NOT MARRIED?
March 10th.—In the Bill laid before the Council and read a first time to-day for the regulation of the registration of births, deaths, and marriages there are one or two sections taken from the Imperial Acts which would appear to have been inserted with very little consideration of the real facts of the position in Hongkong, and of the state of the law here. For the enrolment of the births of legitimate children, the father is primarily responsible. For the registration of illegitimate children, the mother and no one is to be put on the register as father without his consent or that of the woman. It is very doubtful if amongst the mass of pagan Chinese in Hongkong there are very many legitimate children. All the children of concubines are certainly illegitimate, English law, and English law alone, prevails in Hongkong. Marriage according to that law, is the union of one man with one woman for life, to the exclusion of all others. Chinese marriage, with their concomitant concubinage, have never been recognised by law in Hongkong, and if ever the question comes up fairly before the Courts the better opinion is that they will be pronounced not to be marriages at all. It is a disgrace to the Government of Hongkong that there has never been any attempt at legislation as to the status of Chinese women and children in the Colony.

HONGKONG IMPORTS.

Chamber of Commerce Report.

The fortnightly Price Current and Market Report, published by the Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce, states:—

Cotton Piece Goods and Fancy cotton Goods.—Despite greatly reduced quotations from Manchester a decline to 2/3-1/4 makes business as difficult as ever, and small sales have been put through. Also the enquiry referred to in our last has tailed off. A recent telegram quotes Cotton at 7.131. Spot Good Middling.

Cotton Yarn.—Business has been confined to urgent requirements. Values have declined about \$10 per bale all round, notwithstanding the depreciation in exchange. Quotations are:—No. 10s. \$150/185. No. 12s. \$152/185. No. 16s. \$175/195. No. 20s. \$185/210. Arrivals 9,000 bales. Sales 2,000 bales. Shipments nil. Unsold Stock 14,000 bales. Bargains 10,000 bales.

Woolens.—The market is unchanged. The further decline of the dollar and the uncertainty of home prices are hampering fresh business.

Raw Cotton.—Practically no business has been transacted and values are nominally as follow:—Indian descriptions \$24/28 Chinese descriptions \$25/33 per picul.

Metals.—Owing to the low exchange very little business passing.

Flour Market Report.—Stock: About 220,000 sacks. Quotations:—American Patent, \$5.00 per sack; American Cut off, \$3.44 per sack; American Straight, \$3.38 per sack; Shanghai Flour 2nd \$3.36 per sack.

Sugar.—Market active. Saltpetre.—Stock 2,500 Bags. Market strong.

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Mrs. Lewis, Hon. Treasurer and Secretary for the Hongkong Women's Guild and Ministering Children's League, has received the following letters of thanks:-
196, Claremont St., London.
Mrs. Mearns, Hon. Central Secretary & Treasurer of the Ministering Children's League, has much pleasure in acknowledging the kind contribution of £334.16.3, being the equivalent at the current rate of exchange of \$2,000 from the Hongkong Women's Guild & Ministering Children's League.

5 Robert Street, Adelphi, London, 18th Jan., 1921.

Dear Madam,
I am directed by the committee of the Royal Soldiers Daughters Home, Hampstead London, to acknowledge the receipt of £167.8.3 being the amount of a further donation from the Hongkong Guild and Ministering Children's League, which you have so kindly sent in aid of the General Funds of this Institution. I beg that you will accept for yourself and would ask you to be good enough to convey to the various members of the H.K.G. and M.C.L. Committee our grateful and sincere thanks.

Faithfully yours,
O.F. DAVIS, Major,
Secretary.

Admiralty House,
Portsmouth, 19th Jan., 1921.

Dear Madam,
I have such pleasure in acknowledging the receipt of a Draft for £167.8.3 being a contribution to the Trafalgar Orphan Fund from the Hongkong Women's Guild and Ministering Children's League, and shall be glad if you will convey to the members of that Institute my sincere thanks for their generous contribution.

Yours faithfully
(Sgd) ARTHUR CALTHORP,
Admiral.

Orphan Homes of Scotland,
Bridge of Weir,
18th Jan., 1921.

Dear Friend,
At the beginning of another year we are greatly cheered by the renewed help you have forwarded from the Members of the Hongkong Women's Guild and Ministering Children's League in behalf of the fatherless little ones under our care. I hope you will convey to all who have shared in this splendid gift of £34.4.4 our very grateful thanks, and assure them of our heartfelt appreciation. With every good wish I am, yours in behalf of the children,
(Sgd) MARY QUARRER.

Capt Fryatt Memorial Fund,
The Arcade,
Liverpool,
18th Jan., 1921.

Dear Madam,
I am in receipt of your letter of the 7th ultimo enclosing draft for £167.8.3 being a contribution from your League to the Captain Fryatt Memorial Fund.

I have much pleasure in enclosing receipt herewith and I beg to state that I have placed this sum to the credit of the Children's Section of the Fund, as on previous occasions. I find on going into the matter that we have received from you now no less than £1,254.5.9 and I desire again to express to your Committee and yourself our most grateful thanks for all you have done in contributing such munificent donations to the Fund. These donations have enabled us to do an enormous amount of work in assisting the widows with the education and maintenance of their children and as it happens this particular Section of our Fund had got very low at the time that your welcome contribution arrived.

If at any time your Committee would like to have some particulars of the great number of cases in which their contributions have enabled us to render assistance, we shall be pleased to send them.

Yours faithfully
(Sgd) T. W. MOORE,
Hon. Secretary

AMERICAN VISIT TO JAPAN.
A party of about 400 Americans will visit Japan early in the spring, during the cherry blossom season, the American Express Company conducting them. The scarcity of hotel accommodation will be a great hitch, remarks the Jiji, which dwells on the necessity for increasing hotel accommodation in Tokyo and Yokohama.

DAIRY FARM NEWS.

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SALE OF RACE PONIES.

Yesterday's Roup.
The annual post-races auction of ponies took place yesterday at Kennedy Stables, Mr. F. C. M. Hurley, of Messrs. Hughes and Hough, wielding the hammer.

The prices fetched were:-
North, Mr. A. Ellis 30
South, Mr. Cheng 30
East, Mr. Silva 40
West, Mr. Cheng 40
Now or Never, Mr. Cheng 30
Sleepy Hiccoughs, Mr. A. Ellis 25
Jazz King, Mr. Cheng 30
Jamboree King, Mr. A. Ellis 25
Calligula, Mr. L. Yates 75
Square Measure, Mr. Gutierrez 25
Gharra, passed in 25
Ardayan, Mr. Ah Shun 35
Sepand, Mr. Nemazee 30
Mystic Dahlia, Hon. Mr. P. H. Holyoak 60
Black Bird Dahlia, Mr. Remedios 55
Evergreen, Mr. Cheng 30
Coniston, Capt. Oxspring 65
Grey Friar, Mr. Cheng 40
Black Friar, Mr. Cheng 55
Frampton, Mr. B. Basto 160
Field Child, Mr. Pentreath 60
Valley Child, Mr. Stewart 45
Savemake, Mr. H. Seth 45
Adversariat, Mr. Remedios 35
Peradventure, Hon. Mr. P. H. Holyoak 55
Beldorney, Capt. Oxspring 150
Delight Dahlia, reserve not reached 290
Mountain Mist, Mr. Rock 80
Tweedledum, Mr. B. Basto 85
Tweedledee, Mr. Finlay 50
Cowichan, passed in 30
Shooting Star, Mr. Thompson 35
Don Carlos, Mr. Pentreath 35
Don Pedro, Mr. Chee Ling 30
Beggart King, Mr. R. M. Dyer 55
Timour, Mr. Topside 270
Knight Errant, Mr. Cheng 30
Seven Dials, Mr. Cheng 30
Scottie, Mr. T. W. Mok 40
King Harry, Mr. C. H. Blason 40
Phenacotin, passed in 25
Manor King, Mr. Harriman 35
Masovite King, Mr. P. C. Potts 300
Only Hope, Mr. Ho Shun 30
Last Chance, Mr. Chee Ling 30
Romanos, Mr. Brayfield 65
White House, Capt. Oxspring 80
Brown House, Mr. Blood 65
Polo Pony, no bid 25
Polo Pony, Mr. Cheng 25
Turf King, Mr. T. W. Mok 30
Barley Sugar, Capt. Oxspring 35
Black pony, Com. Stopford 55
Bay pony, Mr. T. W. Mok 40

HONGKONG RIFLE LEAGUE.

Tamar v. Wilts "D" Coy.
The following is the result of a match shot off between H.M.S. Tamar and Wilts "D" Coy. at the King's Park Range on the 3rd instant, resulting in a win for H.M.S. Tamar. The scores were as follows:-

H.M.S. TAMAR.	200	500	600	Tl.
Mr Clemow	45	43	38	126
Mr Snell	45	43	38	121
Mr Ravenscroft	38	42	31	111
Mr Botting	34	37	37	108
Mr Brazendale	43	38	22	103
Mr Holmar	40	26	38	102
Mr Allen	34	38	28	100
Mr Patey	87	26	36	99
Total	870			
WILTS "D" COY.	200	500	600	Tl.
Mr Lancaster	41	48	33	117
Mr Smith	41	38	31	110
Mr Mayne	40	37	32	109
Mr Holloway	42	31	30	103
Mr Cousins	34	37	21	92
Mr H. S. Smith	31	26	38	90
Mr Gilling	34	36	20	90
Mr Wright	30	24	24	78
Total	780			

BILLIARDS.

The Open Championship.

An interesting match took place in the open billiards championship of the Colony at the V.R.C. last night, winner to go into the semi-finals. Mr. Leung Kam-kong met Mr. W. Pitt, with Mr. J. Rodger as referee. Mr. Leung Kam-kong, ex-champion, won comfortably by 500 to 214. He had the balls left well for him and played very consistently. Mr. Pitt was out of form and had no luck. For the most part it was an uphill struggle for him. Mr. Leung played pretty billiards, as usual preferring a spectacular shot to position play. He started off with 15, 20 and 35, reaching his first hundred with his opponent at 33. The latter got his best break of the night, 21, and Mr. Leung replied with 16, 25 and 60, breaking down just nine short of Mr. L. A. Osmund's highest break. He had 222 to Mr. Pitt's 73. He added 18, 15, 27 and the scores read 308-99. Mr. Pitt got 11 and Mr. Leung 34, 29 and 20, the marker calling 415-160. A 16 took Mr. Leung to 440, and then Mr. Pitt compiled 14 and 17 (463-203). Each got an eleven, whereafter Mr. Leung with a 25 got to 449 and went out next stick, leaving Mr. Pitt on 214. Mr. Leung meets Mr. L. A. Osmund in the semi-final. In the other bracket Mr. A. J. Osmund (a brother) got into the final last week by beating Mr. Guimaraes.

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LAST NIGHT'S FIRE.

Two Houses Gutted.

Two houses in the Western district were last night destroyed by fire.

The alarm was sent through at 8.40 p.m., and the Brigade attended. Originating in the second floor of No. 207 Des Vaux Road West, the conflagration spread to the ground and top storeys, and in spite of the work of the Brigade, was communicated to the adjoining building, No. 209, which, together with No. 207, were gutted. The fire was put out at 11 p.m. The cause of the outbreak is not known.

The two buildings, which were three-storey-structures, were insured for \$7,000 and \$9,000 respectively. The damage caused by the fire to No. 207 amounted to \$6,000. That caused to No. 209 is not yet estimated. No lives were lost.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE.

On Thursday evening His Excellency the Governor gave a dinner party. The following guests were present:- Hon. Mr. Severn, C.M.G., L.D.S., Hon. Mr. S. B. C. Ross, Hon. Mr. Lau Chu Pak, Hon. Mr. Ho Fook, His Honour Mr. Justice Wood, Sir R. Ho Tung, Mr. N. L. Smith, Mr. G. R. Sayer, Gen. Tang Yu Kwong, Mr. Ng Hon Tsz, Mr. Leung Kwai Tin, Mr. Wong Kam Fuk, Mr. Li Wing Kwong, Mr. Chau Siu Ki, Mr. Chan Kaung Yu, Mr. To Sz Tun, Mr. Li Po Kwai, Mr. Kwok Shiu Lan, Mr. Shani Pak Ming, Mr. Sin Tak Fan, Mr. Fung Ping Shan, Mr. Ho Wing, Mr. Wong Kwong Tin, Mr. Chan Cheuk Hing, Mr. Ho Leung, Mr. Yip Lan Tun, Mr. Chan King Wan, Mr. Chau Yiu Ting and Mr. Yip Shau Oh.

TREBITSCH LINCOLN.

A Vienna message says:-The notorious Trebitsch Lincoln, ex-British M.P. has been arrested. He is alleged to have forged documents supporting the allegations of a revolutionary plot against the Crachoslovian Government.

RINDERPEST.

The Kowloon Outbreak.

The epidemic of rinderpest which broke out last month in the Colony has led to the extermination of a large number of cattle. Up-to-date some sixty head of cattle belonging to various Chinese owners on the mainland have either succumbed to the disease or have been slaughtered when their condition from the effects of the disease was too far advanced.

It is of interest to note that in the very same month some twenty-five years ago a similar epidemic occurred in the Colony and caused considerable alarm amongst the residents, it being then a matter for discussion whether the disease was rinderpest or what was more alarming-anthrax. The problem arose from the lack of expert advice created by the absence of the then Colonial Veterinary Surgeon from the Colony, and in his place two local medicos were invited by the Dairy Farm to examine their cattle at Pokfulam and give a verdict. The consternation of the residents may be imagined when one of these medicos pronounced the disease as anthrax. In consequence of this view, measures for the segregation of the cattle with a view to preventing the communication of the infection to human beings were rigorously carried out but eventually the truth was established that they were suffering only from rinderpest. This outbreak first brought to the recognition of the Dairy Farm Company the necessity of having in stock a store of anti-rinderpest serum, and it may possibly be due to careful examination of their cattle and the precautions prompted by this first visitation, that the Dairy Farm at present enjoys cases at a being free from such period when its competitors on the mainland are under going severe losses from the disease.

The Ah Wee Dairy Farm Company is known to have lost thirty-seven head of cattle so far, and other Chinese dairy farms are not less immune.



CAMERA NEWS



Photo: Mee Cheong.

The Stewards of the Hongkong Jockey Club, photographed during the recent Races.



Photo: Mee Cheong.

Mr. Soares (who won the Ladies' Purse on "Spotted Sand") escorting Miss Duff to tiffin.



Photo: Mee Cheong.

Leading in "Invincible King," winner of the Derby.

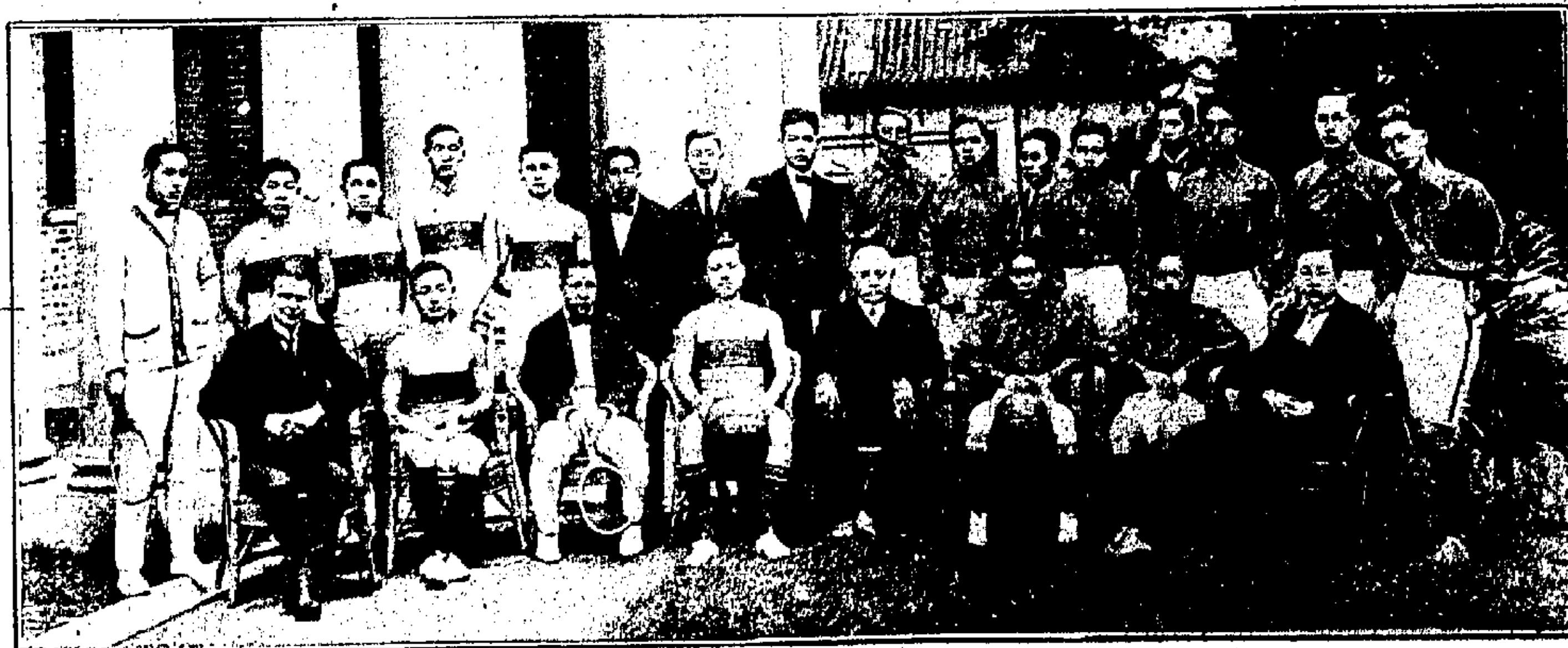


Khan Sahib Hasham Khan, who has just retired from the Hongkong Civil Service.



Photo: Mee Cheong.

H.E. the Governor snapped at the Races.

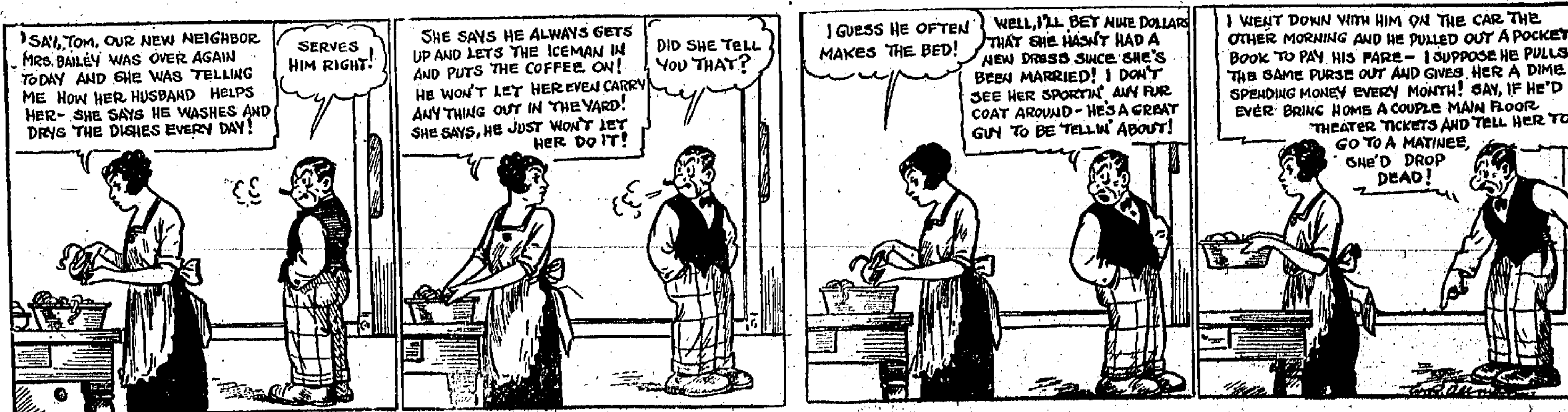


Hongkong University basket-ball and football teams which recently visited Canton.

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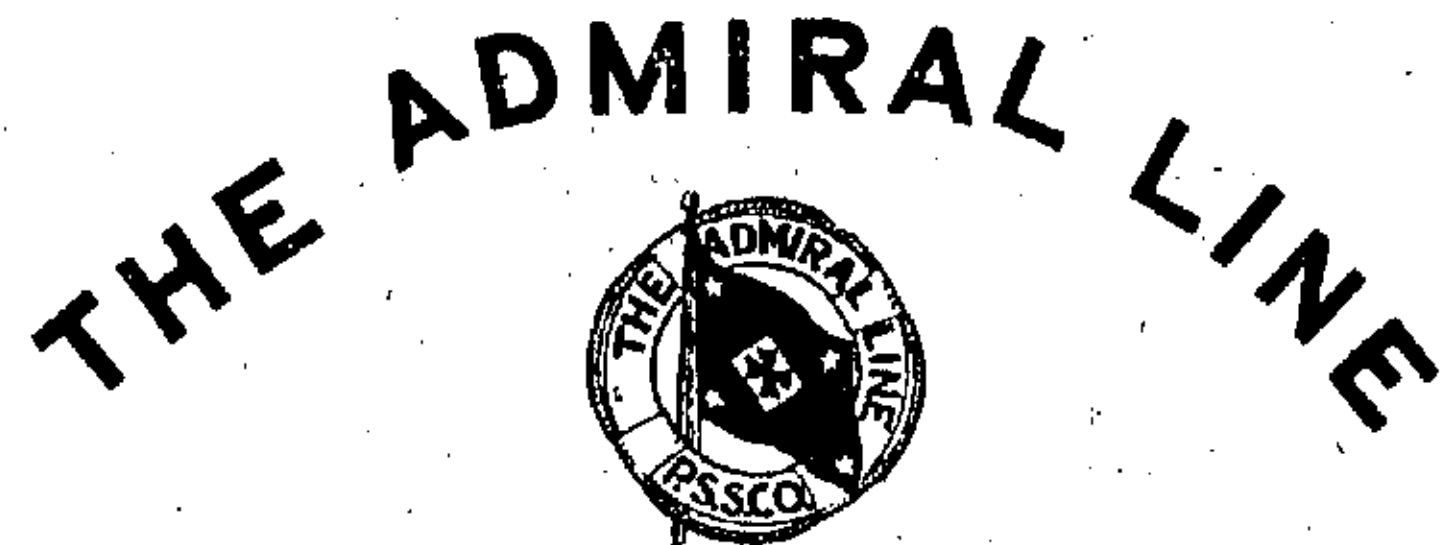
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Hungaria	D. & Co.	Mar. 8
Apus	S. & D.	Mar. 8
Fushimi M.	N. Y. K.	Mar. 8
Lancaster	S. & D.	Mar. 9
Kleist	N. Y. K.	Mar. 10
St. Albans	P. & O.	Mar. 10
Dilwara	P. & O.	Mar. 10
Glenariff	J. M. Co.	Mar. 11
Toyama M.	N. Y. K.	Mar. 11
Tamba	N. Y. K.	Mar. 12
W. Montana	A. L.	Mar. 12
W. Henshaw	B. & S.	Mar. 12
W. Henshaw	B. & S.	Mar. 12
Anyo M.	T. K. K.	Mar. 13
Tjimanook	J. C. J. L.	Mar. 15
Alloway	A. L.	Mar. 15
West Jappa	F. W. Co.	Mar. 15
Korea M.	T. K. K.	Mar. 15
Glymont	A. L.	Mar. 15
Telamon	B. L.	Mar. 16
Taiyuan	B. & S.	Mar. 16
Karmala	P. & O.	Mar. 18
Mishima M.	N. Y. K.	Mar. 18
Siberia M.	T. K. K.	Mar. 19
Laertes	B. L.	Mar. 22
Akita M.	N. Y. K.	Mar. 22
Keemun	B. & S.	Mar. 23
E. of Japan	C. P. O. S.	Mar. 22
Mito M.	N. Y. K.	Mar. 24
Lake Onawa	A. L.	Mar. 25
Kashmir	P. & O.	Mar. 25
Glenapp	J. M. Co.	Mar. 25
Tjikembang	J. C. J. L.	Mar. 27
Tango	N. Y. K.	Mar. 28
Nanking	C. M. Co.	Mar. 30
E. of Asia	C. P. O. S.	Mar. 31
Sinankin	P. & O.	Apr. 1
West Hika	L. A.	Apr. 3
Tenyo M.	N. Y. K.	Apr. 3
Ningchow	B. & S.	Apr. 5

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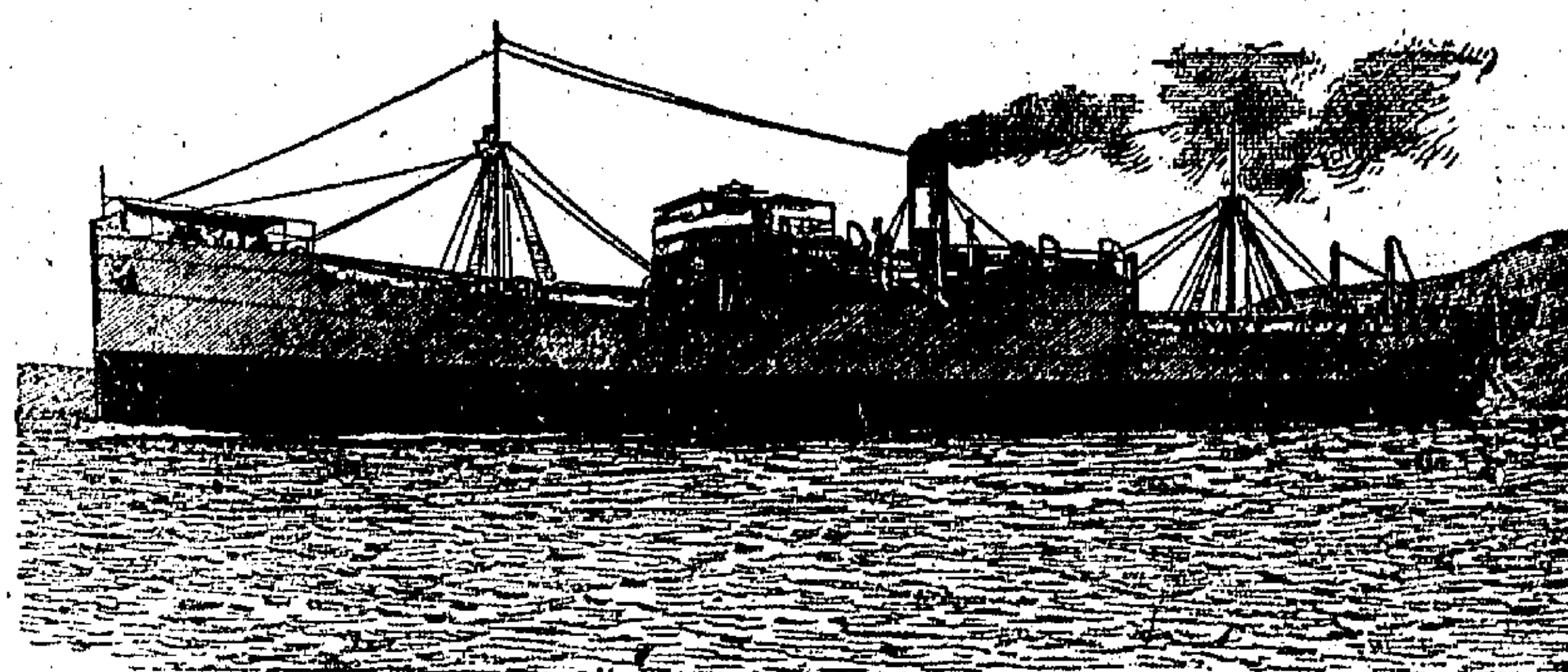
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Kumsang	J. M. Co.	Mar. 6
Changchow	B. & S.	Mar. 6
Riojun	D. & Co.	Mar. 6
Yingchow	B. & S.	Mar. 6
Gregory A.	P. & O.	Mar. 6
Wakasa M.	N. Y. K.	Mar. 7
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Laisang	J. M. Co.	Mar. 8
Hailong	D. L. Co.	Mar. 8
Taming	B. & S.	Mar. 8
Chipsing	J. M. Co.	Mar. 8
Euryalus	P. & O.	Mar. 8
Shantung	B. & S.	Mar. 8
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Chunsang	J. M. Co.	Mar. 9
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Teopao	J. M. Co.	Mar. 11
G. Apar	P. & O.	Mar. 11
Yuensang	J. M. Co.	Mar. 11
Samarang M.	D. & Co.	Mar. 12
Nankin	P. & O.	Mar. 12
Khyber	P. & O.	Mar. 14
Trieste	D. & Co.	Mar. 15
Heijn M.	N. Y. K.	Mar. 15
Nikko M.	N. Y. K.	Mar. 15
Tjitaroom	J. C. J. L.	Mar. 15
Tjiliwong	J. C. J. L.	Mar. 15
Bombay M.	N. Y. K.	Mar. 17
Inaba M.	N. Y. K.	Mar. 18
Haiching	D. L. Co.	Mar. 19
Tjileboet	J. C. J. L.	Mar. 21
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MITO MARU Thursday, 24th March.

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TAMBA MARU Saturday, 12th March.

MELBOURNE & SYDNEY via Manila, Zamboanga, Thursday Island, Townsville & Brisbane.

TANGO MARU Monday, 28th Mar. at 11 a.m.

NEW YORK via Suez.

AKITA MARU Tuesday, 22nd March.

SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS via Cape.

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BOMBAY MARU Thursday, 17th March.

CALCUTTA & RANGOON via Singapore & Penang.

TOYOOKA MARU Tuesday, 8th March.

MURORAN MARU Tuesday, 22nd March.

JAPAN PORTS—Nagasaki, Kobe & Yokohama.

NIKKO MARU Tuesday, 15th Mar. at 11 a.m.

SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.

WAKASA MARU Monday, 7th March.

HEIJIN MARU Tuesday, 15th March.

INABA MARU Friday, 18th March, at 11 a.m.

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Tjisalak	Hongkong	in port	5th Mar.	Java
Tjitaroen	Java	11th Mar.	15th Mar.	Japan
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Tjileboet	Japan	17th Mar.	21st Mar.	Java

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TIENTSIN via W'wei	Chipsing	Tues., 8th Mar. at d'light.
KOBE	Laisang	Tues., 8th Mar. at d'light.
SHANGHAI & Tsingtau	Hopsang	Tues., 8th Mar. at d'light.
BANGKOK via Swatow	Chunsang	Wed., 9th Mar. at d'light.
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SHANGHAI & TSINGTAO	Yingchow	6th Mar. at 3 p.m.
AMOY, SHAI & PUKOW	Shantung	8th Mar. at noon.
AMOY, M'LA, CEBU & PILO	Taming	8th Mar. at 3 p.m.
TIENTSIN	Paoting	8th Mar. at 4 p.m.

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The N. Y. K. s.s. NIKKO M. (Australian Line) left Sydney, for Hongkong via ports, on the 23rd Feb. and is expected here on the 15th March.

The N. Y. K. s.s. KAMO M. (European Line) left London for this port via Suez on the 18th Feb. and is expected here on the 30th March.

The s.s. IDOMENEUS, (Blue Funnel Line) left Suez, on 11th inst. for Hongkong and is due here on 11th March.

The N. Y. K. s.s. INABA MARU (European Line) left London for this port via Suez on the 5th February and is expected here on the 17th March.

The s.s. ATREUS (Blue Funnel Line) left Suez on 17th inst. for Hongkong and is due here on 11th March.

The s.s. AJAX, (Blue Funnel Line) New York left Singapore on 27th instant for Hongkong via Manila and is due here on 9th March.

The s.s. ELPENOR (Blue Funnel Line) left Suez on 24th inst. for Hongkong and is due here on 20th Prox.

The T. K. K. s.s. SIBERIA M. arrived at Yokohama on the 25th instant, in accordance with schedule, being due at this port March 11th.

The R. M. S. EMPRESS OF JAPAN, left Vancouver for Hongkong, via Japan ports, Shanghai on the 23rd Feb. and is due at Yokohama on or about the 9th March.

The N. Y. K. s.s. WAKASA M. (Liverpool Line) left Singapore for this port on the 28th Feb. and is expected here on the 6th Mar.

The N. Y. K. s.s. KLEIST, (European Line) left Kobe for this port via Moji and Shanghai, on the 1st March, and is expected here on the 9th March.

The N. Y. K. s.s. KAMAKURA M. (Liverpool Line) left Liverpool for this port via Suez, on the 26th February, and is expected here on the 10th April.

The N. Y. K. s.s. TOYOOKA M. (Calcutta Line) left Nagasaki for this port on the 2nd March, and is expected here on the 7th March.

The s.s. HELENUS, (Blue Funnel Line) left Shanghai on 3rd inst. for London, Amsterdam and Hamburg via Hongkong. Vessel is due here on 6th inst. and will sail, as above, on 8th inst.

The s.s. EGREMONT CASTLE sailed from Kobe via ports on the 2nd March and is expected to arrive here on or about 16th inst.

The R. M. S. MONTEAGLE, arrived at Yokohama, on 2nd Mar. at 2 p.m. leaves there 3rd Mar. and is due at Hongkong on 14th Mar. at 7 a.m.

The B. L. s.s. GREGORY A., left Singapore for this Port on the 3rd instant at morning and is due here on the 9th instant.

The A. L. s.s. CROSSKEYS, is due to arrive here from Seattle, Wash. on or about April 6th.

The A. L. s.s. WHEATLAND MONTAWA, is due to arrive here from Singapore on or about Mar. 12th.

The A. L. s.s. COAXET, is due to arrive here from Portland, Ore on or about April 5th.

The A. L. s.s. PAWLET, is due to arrive here from Manila P. I. on or about March 10th.

The B. L. s.s. SATSUMA, is due to arrive here from Shanghai on or about March 15th.

The B. L. s.s. ALLOWAY, is due to arrive here from New York on or about March 10th.

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The A. L. s.s. LAKEONAWA, is due to arrive here from Saigon on or about March 25th.

The A. L. s.s. CADARETTA, is due to arrive here from Saigon on or about April 5th.

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Straits—Per WAKASA M., 6th
Mar.
Japan—Per TOHOKA M., 7th
Swatow & Shanghai—Per TIEN-
TSIN, 6th Mar. *
Japan and Shanghai—Per
KLEIST, 9th Mar. *
Europe via Suez (Letters and
Newspapers London 3rd Feb.)
—Per GREGORY APCAR,
9th Mar.

OUTWARD MAILS.

To-morrow.

*Swatow, *Shanghai & *N. China
—Per KANSU, 9 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy & Keelung—Per
KAIJO M., 8 a.m.
Shanghai & N. China—Per
YING CHOW, 9 a.m.
Monday, 7th Mar.
Wei Hai Wei & Tientsin—Per
CHIP SHING, 5 p.m.
Shanghai & N. China—Per
HOP RANG, 5 p.m.
Japan—Per LAI SANG, 5 p.m.

Tuesday, 8th Mar.

Swatow and Bangkok—Per
CHUN SANG, 5 p.m.
Tientsin—Per PAOTING, 3 p.m.
Straits and Bangkok—Per
EURYLUS, noon.
Amoy, *Philippine Islands—Per
TAMING, 2 p.m.
Amoy, *Shanghai & *N. China
—Per SHANTUNG, 11 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow—
Per HAILONG, 11 a.m.
Wednesday, 9th Mar.
Hoihow, and Haiphong—Per
TEO PAO, 8 a.m.
Swatow *Shanghai & *N. China
—Per TIENSIN, 11 a.m.
Shanghai, N. China, Japan,
Canada, United States, C.
& S. America & Europe
via Victoria, B. C.—Per
FUSHIMI M., Reg. 8:45 a.m.
Letters 9:30 a.m.
Thursday, 10th Mar.
Swatow, *Straits & *Bangkok—
Per LIANCHOW, 9 a.m.
Straits, Bangkok, Ceylon,
Mauritius, L. Marques, S.
Africa, India via Dhannah-
kodi, Egypt & Europe via
Marseilles—Per KLEIST,
Reg. 8:45 a.m. Letters 9:30
a.m.
Straits, Bangkok, Ceylon,
Mauritius, L. Marques, S.
Africa, India via Dhan-
ushkodi, Bombay & Aden—
Per DILWARA, 11 a.m.
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TIDE TABLE.

27th Feb. to 5th Mar., 1921.

Day	Time	High Water Mean Time	Low Water Mean Time
Sun. 27	5.53	5.4	6.4
Mon. 28	1.45	4.7	5.9
Tues. 1	1.38	5.6	6.2
Wed. 2	8.11	4.4	7.30
Thurs. 3	3.34	5.6	10.14
Fri. 4	3.49	5.6	11.41
Sat. 5	7.43	4.1	0.44
Sun. 6	6.48	5.9	11.1
Mon. 7	6.33	4.3	1.47
Tues. 8	6.21	5.1	2.36

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FRITZ—HIS MARK!

These are days when we are hearing and reading much about German finances, and the value of the mark in relation to the currency of other countries. We all know what a wild rush there was a few years back to buy roubles. But we haven't yet heard of anybody who has made a fortune by this particular means of investment. For the moment, roubles are taking a back seat, but the get-rich-quick fraternity, or some of them, are now taking a look at the German mark. Recently we saw a timely warning issued against those who think of speculating in foreign exchange, especially German marks. The authority who sought the ear of the investing public asserted that speculating in marks is no different from any other form of extremely hazardous speculation.

Let us look at a few facts regarding German currency. A recent statement issued by the Imperial Bank of Germany showed an outstanding circulation of nearly 68,000,000,000 marks. Note carefully that it is billions, not millions. It is an increase from the 1,890,893,000 marks in circulation July 25, 1914, on the eve of the war. At the back of Germany's 68,000,000,000 in paper money is only 1,091,636,000 marks in gold. That is inflation on an enormous scale. It means that the gold value of the mark has been diluted 6200 per cent, in terms of paper money now circulating. Obviously, the Germans are printing chromos, not currency. And, obviously, the speculator in German marks is dabbling with hot air, not actual values. Inflate a rubber balloon to 62 times its original size and you know what is about to happen. The German mark cannot be inflated much further without becoming entirely demonetized—worthless. The pay of a private in the German army is now 250 times as big as before the war, according to the Minister of Defense, Herr Gessler. Yet Germans are spurning Army service. The mark, inflated 62-to-1, does not lure the German, who is on the spot and knows what the mark is actually worth. As far back as last October 10, it was announced by the finance minister at a meeting of the German Cabinet, that the deficit of the German Government in the present financial year will be nearly 68,000,000,000 marks, against its total expenditure of only 3,500,000,000 marks for all governmental purposes in 1914.

Such is the state of affairs behind the German mark. The figures cited certainly show the hazards of the speculator who is buying marks on margin. The situation will not be always thus, admittedly, but in view of Germany's obligations towards the Allies the present outlook is none too bright. There are other sides of this matter of depreciated currency, involving issues of worldwide importance. But we are not concerned with these at the moment. The best advice we can give to intending speculators in German marks at the present time is just this—mark time awhile.

NOTES & COMMENTS.

Privileged Offenders.

We noticed a proceeding yesterday on the part of some Public Works Department coolies that should not be allowed to take place again. Some of the main streets of the City are being re-tar painted in places and it is necessary to spread dry sand over the newly-applied tar. We realise that after rain it is a problem to get dry sand and that the wet heaps must be spread out somewhere where there is a chance to get dry again. But there is objection, on the ground of public safety, to spreading this sand just where lazy coolies please. In Chater Road yesterday morning, right by the junction of Ice House Street, practically the whole of the road was being utilised for sand drying purposes. Several big stretches of loose sand were being raked about by coolies, and one could not help thinking that for motorists turning the corner for Messrs. Lane, Crawford's or Messrs. Shewan Tomes and Co. this sand presented a positive danger. It certainly was an obstruction, especially to truck pullers, who are forced to proceed by that route. We should like to know why it is that our P.W.D. has *carle blunch* to do practically as it likes in our public streets. Individuals are summoned readily enough, hawkers and shopkeepers are not infrequently taken before our Magistrates for causing obstructions, and yet our P.W.D. can grossly offend right in the heart of the City and go untouched and undisturbed. If it wants dry sand for tarring purposes, let it dry the sand in a proper place, not in the centre of a road used by all classes of traffic. We have often referred to other obstructions committed by the same Department and it is high time that the same measure of police action was taken against its employees as is taken against private individuals. Where two people commit identical offences it is not fair to summon one and let the other go scot free just because that other belongs to a government department.

Kowloon Motor Buses.

Saturday's *Government Gazette* contained lengthy draft regulations proposed to be made by the Governor in Council covering the forthcoming institution of a motor bus service for Kowloon, and giving lawful authority for the Governor in Council to grant by licence to any person whose tender is accepted the exclusive right of maintaining services of public motor vehicles within such portions of the Colony as may be defined in such licence. We have carefully read through the regulations and find that they have been framed to give efficient services and a maximum of protection to passengers. For the Kowloon service there will be not less than 15 motor vehicles, each capable of carrying 19 adult persons including the driver and conductor. Four routes have been designed, the first being from the Kowloon Ferry to Shamsui, the second from Hunghom to Kowloon Ferry, the third from Hunghom to Shamsui and the fourth from Hunghom to Kowloon City. Authorised stopping places have been detailed and time tables fixed. On the Kowloon Ferry to Shamsui service vehicles will run from the Ferry every ten minutes beginning at 7 a.m. and concluding at 11.30 p.m. The Hunghom to Kowloon Ferry service will also be a ten minutes service, whilst the Hunghom to Shamsui service is identical with the exception of an earlier start in the morning and a later finish at night. The Hunghom to Kowloon City service will be a thirty-minutes service. The fares have also been laid down, varying from 15 cents first class and 6 cents second class for a whole trip to five cents first class and 2 cents second class for sections or portions of sections. Regulations governing the conduct of passengers have been framed, and one cannot read through the seven closely-printed pages of information without realising that this proposed Kowloon service has been given much time and thought in its organisation. There is nothing to tell us just how long it will be before we see that service instituted, but it may be taken for granted that with the passing of the necessary amendments to the Ordinance and the publication of the draft regulations we shall not have an interminable time to wait. The service should provide a long-felt want. And, incidentally, its inception is in no small way due to the efforts of the Kowloon

DAY BY DAY.

THE DREAD OF CENSURE IS THE DEATH BLOW OF GENIUS.

Mr. W. E. Kirby, Acting Secretary of the China Coast Officers' Guild, arrived here by the s.s. Sunning and is to remain until the 20th instant.

For the 48 hours ended yesterday there were 15 cases of cerebro-spinal fever notified (all Chinese), none being fatal. There were also one non-fatal case of enteric (British) and one fatal occurrence of diphtheria (Chinese).

There was a collision between a motor lorry driven by a Chinese and a tramcar on Queen's Road East, near the Ordnance Office, yesterday, and resulting in slight damage to the former vehicle. The driver was not injured.

Mr. Denman Fuller's organ recital at the St. John's Cathedral last night was much enjoyed. His playing was of the usual high order, and demonstrated the recent improvements made to the organ. Miss Bertha Meischke gave great delight in her vocal numbers.

Last week's health return shows five cases of small-pox (all fatal), three of cerebro-spinal fever (all fatal), two of paratyphoid fever (non-fatal), and one fatal case each of diphtheria and enteric. All were Chinese except one Indian case of paratyphoid. There were also four Chinese deaths from influenza.

The second semi-final in the Open Billiards Championship is to take place at the V.R.C. tomorrow night at 8 o'clock, when Mr. A. J. Osmond will meet Mr. Leung Kam-kong, the winner to meet Mr. L. A. Osmond in the final. The game will be 750 up, and Mr. W. Logan will be the referee.

Last night, at the Victoria Recreation Club, the Hon. Mr. Claud Severn was the recipient of a silver rose bowl mounted on a blackwood stand, to mark his recent wedding. The gift was made, on behalf of the Committee of the Club by Mr. W. Logan, who referred to the deep interest Mr. Severn had always shown in the V.R.C. Mr. Severn suitably replied.

The death took place on Sunday of Mr. G. A. Butz, Custodian of the Repulse Bay Hotel. The deceased, who arrived here from Manila only a week ago, passed away peacefully in his sleep. He was an American and had attained the ripe age of 68 years. He is survived by a son who is in Hongkong and with whom much sympathy is felt. A service was held at the Protestant Cemetery yesterday morning, after which the remains were cremated.

Apparently with the fixed idea of making a thorough overhaul of the valuables of the place, a gang of robbers paid a visit to a house in Gage Street yesterday evening. They obtained admission to No. 29 by means of the usual ruse. The coolie who responded to their summons was promptly forced, under the penalty of being killed, to shut his mouth and beat a retreat under the guidance of one of the robbers to an inner room where he was later joined by another victim in the person of the master of the house. Whilst the robbers were busy in sorting out the inmates, apparently with the idea of robbing them at their leisure, a male Chinese eluded the vigilant eye of his guard and jumped out of the window on to the ground floor. Unfortunately he had left the key of his cash box with the robbers so that by the time the alarm was raised the robbers had succeeded in laying their hands on valuables and money of the value of \$54.50 and had made their exit.

SWORDS REINSTATED.

From April 1, swords will be worn by officers of the Regular Army, except those holding temporary commissions, under conditions obtaining prior to the war.

Residents Association, which has been in constant consultation with the Government in an advisory capacity.

ANGLO-CHINESE TRADE.

Interview with Delegate of British Manufacturing Interests.

In view of the international competition that is proceeding for the prospective markets of China, the outlook of the Home manufacturers is of uncommon interest just now. A *Telegraph* representative was provided by Mr. Leonard Redmayne, managing director of the Anglo-Chinese Engineering Association, Ltd., working in conjunction with Messrs. Reiss Bros., who is at present on a visit to the Far East, with a survey of industrial conditions in the Old Country coupled with the British manufacturer's outlook respecting the potentialities of the Far East.

"Before the war Chinese merchants recognised that they could get the goods they wanted, especially engineering goods, as well from England as from anywhere," remarked Mr. Redmayne. "The merchants wanted a supply of goods that would assure them of a profit, and they also desired quality, but always a profit. These goods, as I say, British manufacturers were able to supply, and Chinese merchants looked to British manufacturers. When the war came, except for just the first part, exports were absolutely prohibited. The Government, according to a request of the French authorities, made a little exception in the case of Saigon with regard to implements used in raising rice, on the ground that it was a necessary war-time product; but the veto imposed by D.O.R.A. rendered the export of similar goods to China an absolute impossibility. Even apart from the prohibition, exports would have been almost impossible, because practically every firm was entirely occupied on munitions or war products of some kind. As a consequence Americans and Japanese got going—got going hot and strong, in fact."

"When the Armistice was signed everybody thought things would right themselves and prices return to the normal."

ACCUMULATION OF WAR STORES.—Here Mr. Redmayne paused to refer to the accumulation of war stores and to the effective work of Lord Inverforth in the matter of their disposal.

"I should say that war contracts in England," remarked Mr. Redmayne, "have been closed and the excess products of war manufacture sold to better advantage by Lord Inverforth than in any other country or ever before."

"The war had over-turned industrial processes in England in a most extraordinary degree," proceeded the visitor; "I should imagine that what was not realised here and other places abroad was the time it would take to return to peace manufacture. It has been generally supposed and put forward that British manufactures obtained a most wonderful supply of new outfits during the war, and that British mass manufacture, as opposed to 'making,' would flourish at once. But it is a curious fact that the articles needed for war are most cylindrical (cannon, rifle-barrels, cartridges, &c.) The result was that a large percentage of the machine-tools which British manufacturers had acquired during the war had to be thrown away, old machine-tools had to be brought back into use, and new ones obtained. Hence a very much greater delay than was anticipated."

HOW THE WAR AFFECTED PRICES.

"In regard to prices, which were generally expected to fall as soon as the war was over, people seem to have failed to realise the factors in the situation. Although during the war there was a great latent demand for goods, prices did not, as a matter of fact, increase to a very definite increase for the simple reason that there was no possibility of supplying the demand. Directly the war was over, the years of stored-up demand were let loose, and this demand was let loose on a manufacturing community in a very bad condition to supply it as regards labour and material, the inevitable consequence being that prices soared. As soon as prices soared the workers' demands increased in proportion, because day directly the working man in England thinks his 'boss' is making a good profit he goes to him for higher wages in order to ensure that the owner or manager shall not take more than the workers think he is entitled to. During the period following the Armistice, the question in everybody's mouth was, 'What amount of

money is left in the world after spending so much in fighting instead of in production? For about a year the answer was apparently extremely favourable. Everybody had money and everybody spent it freely, but, sooner than most people expected, the demand began to dry up, not because it had been exhausted, but largely because people rebelled against the high prices. Owing to the fact that we had accumulated in England during the war and since a vast stock of products from countries that normally buy from us, which the public ceased purchasing because of prices, there has been an extensive accumulation of stocks at the docks. The result is that for the time being Britain is not drawing goods from the East or other places in the usual quantities."

Dealing with the course of taxation and its effects upon industry, Mr. Redmayne said:

"The great prosperity that followed the war for a year or so prompted the Chancellor of the Exchequer to make hay while the sun shone, and it must be admitted that there was an additional justification for this because the costs of the war by no means stopped with the war. But with trade on the decline, the Chancellor has announced in advance of the approaching financial year that the Excess Profits Duty will be discontinued—and that it will not be replaced by some equally burdensome impost, which, I need scarcely say, signifies a timely and valuable relief to industry."

BRITISH ALERTNESS REGARDING FOREIGN TRADE.

After alluding to the Government's recognition of the need of retrenchment, Mr. Redmayne dealt with a subject of direct interest to business men in the Colony.

"British manufacturers do not imagine for a moment that they will be able to get on unless they hold and develop their export business. I feel sure that our friends in some of the countries to which we export would be surprised if they could see how keen the majority of manufacturers are in regard to export trade, and how much they are relying upon it for the future of their enterprises. Apart from the fight which must take place sooner or later to get the ratio of wages back to what it should be, prompt delivery can be given now of almost all articles."

"We have manufacturers coming in to see us with a view to getting orders where a couple of years ago the manufacturer was doing a favour if he supplied you. As an example, I remember a man hunting all round Sheffield in a taxi-cab, and thinking himself lucky to be able to purchase one set of tools. Conditions are different to-day. I would like to mention a very important point, particularly in dealing with Chinese merchants, who did not understand the 'price-rise' clause, the natives apparently supposing that there was some imposition about it. As a matter of fact, the British manufacturer had no alternative, especially in the early part of 1919, when labour and material costs were continually mounting. At the present time I think it may be taken that the majority of prices can be quoted firm."

THE POTENTIALITIES OF CHINA.

Asked whether manufacturers in the Old Country were alive to the potentialities of China, Mr. Redmayne responded:

"They are certainly alive to the possibilities of industrial development, and manufacturers are forming groups for China trade. Between thirty and forty engineering firms showed their interest as soon as they heard of my intended visit to the Far East by committing to my care provisional agencies."

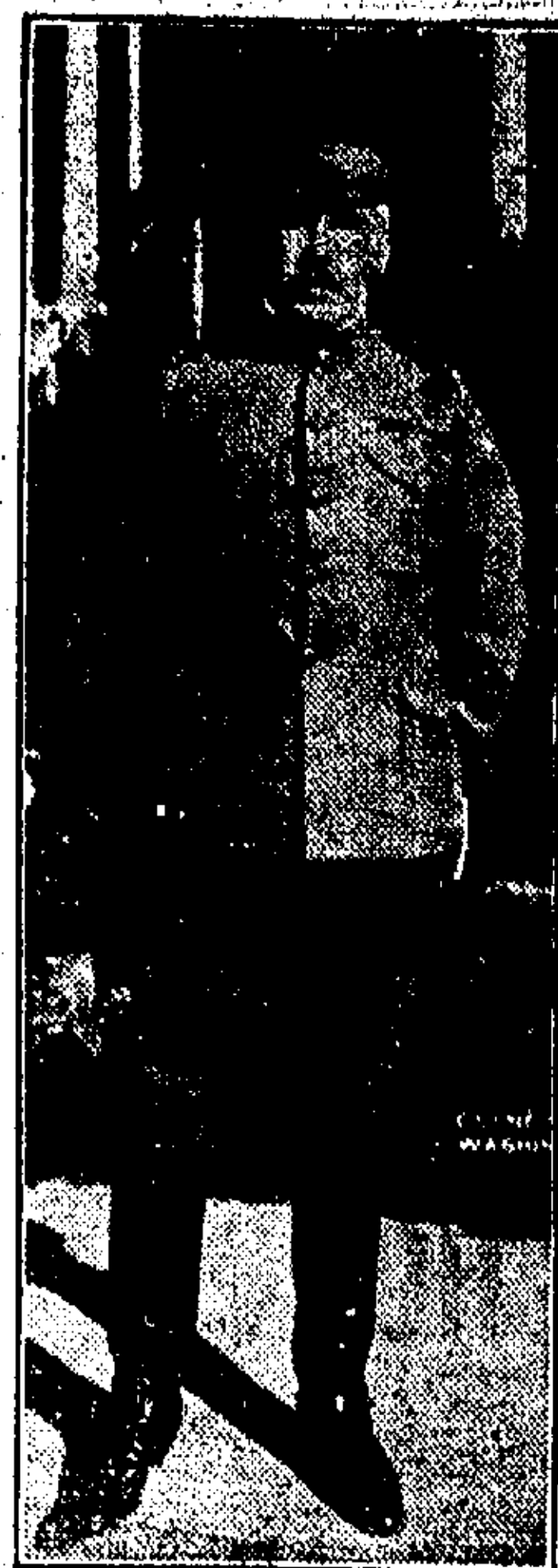
Dealing with the question from an economic standpoint, Mr. Redmayne said:

"Freer export from England, as I see it, will depend upon two things—a recommencement of purchasing by England of other people's goods and a reduction in the price of English manufactures. When these two matters have been adjusted the stream of commerce may be expected to again flow freely. The process should be helped by the marked fall in prices that has lately set in at home, which tendency now bids fair to continue."

CHINESE RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION.

Particularising the likely lines of Anglo-Chinese industrial development, Mr. Redmayne observed:

"Chinese business men are, of course, themselves alive to



GEN. WOOD,

who is being sent by President Harding to the Philippines to study independence question.

TO-DAY'S MISCELLANY.

The greatest irony in the history of Home Rule is that while, under the new Act, Ulster will presently be electing its first Parliament before it has a Parliament-house available, Dublin has its ancient Houses of Parliament and no Southern Legislature to meet there, remarks a *Daily Chronicle* representative. Irish Nationalists have worked for years in the hope of some day seeing the Bank of Ireland vacate the stately building on College Green to make room for an Irish Parliament. And now the first Home Rule Legislature is to meet in Belfast, which, with the exception of its imposing City Hall, has no public buildings adaptable to the purposes of a Parliament-house. Belfast with also have to enlarge its law courts or build a new pile to house the new Ulster judiciary. Even so, it can scarcely hope to rival the Four Courts at Dublin, either in architectural or legal fame.

The American Cabinet offers no financial "plums," for the salary of each of the ten members of it is \$12,000 a year. It was only as recently as Mr. Roosevelt's time that it was raised to that figure from the previous \$3,000. The Vice-President is paid at the same rate as a Cabinet Minister, but the President receives a salary of \$75,000, with an allowance of \$85,000 for travelling expenses. He is the only official of the United States Government who is not required to sign the pay-roll. In President Cleveland's time the President's salary was \$4,166.66 2/3 a month. So accurate is the Treasury system of bookkeeping that the cheque was drawn for \$4,166.66 one month and \$4,166.67 the next two months. At the end of his term it was found that there was still due to President Cleveland the amount of one cent, so a cheque for that amount was drawn in his favour. It was never cashed, but is retained in his family as a souvenir.

the possibilities of their country, and are going to develop large manufacturing programmes of their own. Naturally, they will start by making what they want most and what they can most easily make. The success of British manufacturers in Chinese markets will depend very largely on supplying those things that will help the Chinese to make the kind of things they can tackle, and in supplying the Chinese with the kind of things they cannot tackle themselves. The more the Chinese make the more markets there will be for Britishers to supply articles of various kinds. For instance, when the Chinese begin to develop their railways in earnest, they may make the rails themselves, but they cannot make everything. Britishers can supply locomotives and other things."

The *Times* has lately been exhorting British manufacturers to take the long view in regard to China as a field for huge industrial expansion, and our visitor, who is going on to Shanghai, Hankow, and other places, is evidently imbued with this principle.

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MUSICAL COMEDY.

Banvard's Big Success.

Mr. W. R. Banvard evidently knows the tastes of Hongkong to a nicety. He has brought a London Musical Comedy Company here—and a really good one, too, as the large audience which assembled for the opening performance at the Theatre Royal last night readily testified by constantly recurring outbursts of applause. "Plums for the Picking" was the title of the revue, but that's neither here nor there, for the title just as well have been called anything else. Titles do not count in musical comedies or revues, anyhow—it's the dresses, the fun, the singing and the dancing that matter; and in these respects we could not wish for anything better than the Banvard Company gave us last night. There was plenty of "pep" about the show; no dreary waiting; always something to keep the audience amused and interested.

The Company is an extremely well-balanced one, with no old cracks or "has-beens" in it. The Beauty Chorus is made up of a bevy of pretty girls who dress smartly and dance with easy grace and rhythm. The principals are really first-rate, some of them with particularly good voices, and all of them clever at patter and accomplished in dancing skill. Mr. Leonard Neville is a funny man who immediately got on good terms with the audience by his whimsicalities; whilst Mr. Douglas MacLaren, is not only a good singer but very smart on his feet. Miss Viola Williams showed herself to be a very sprightly and vivacious little actress, also a soubrette of decided talent. Then there is Miss Winnie Goodwin, who has a nice voice, as also has Miss Isabelle Horley, whose duet with Mr. Ian MacLaren a good baritone, was greatly enjoyed. The pierote and pierote specialty dance by Miss Goodwin and Mr. Adrian D. Ross was another most attractive item wonderfully well done. We could go on quoting numbers *ad infinitum*. Suffice it to say that the show exceeded all expectations. It was well-staged and went with a joyous swing from beginning to

RIFLE LEAGUE.

Curlew v. Dockyard R.C.

The following is the result of a match shot off between the teams from H.M.S. Curlew and the R.N. Dockyard Rifle Club, resulting in a win for the Curlew team by 87 points:—

H.M.S. "CURLEW."	
Mr. Dew	122
Mr. A. A. Morgan	119
Mr. P. Carpenter	116
Mr. P. O. Morgan	110
Mr. Spence	109
Mr. Stanford	105
Mr. Passmore	90
Mr. Telford	82
Total	861

R. N. DOCKYARD RIFLE CLUB.	
Mr. Drew	115
Mr. Williams	112
Mr. Crocker	98
Mr. Longyear	98
Mr. Johnson	97
Mr. Wimple	90
Mr. Young	85
Mr. McGuigan	79
Total	774

It may interest the teams in the running for second place to learn that a meeting of the League Committee has been called for Thursday, when Mr. Northcote, the Honorary Secretary, will bring up the question of the provision of badges for the second team, owing to the large number of entries this year. This news will no doubt put some vim into the struggle for second place. The Curlew seem to be making a very good bid for this place, their shooting being very consistent.

And, above all, it was a thoroughly "clean" show; and we can thoroughly recommend a visit to the Theatre during the Company's stay for all who want to spend a really bright and cheery evening. The Banvard Jazz Band provides an additional attraction which is well worth going to hear.

To-night the Company repeats "Plums for the Picking." Tomorrow night's attraction will be "Girls and Giggles."

AN ISLANDER'S DIARY.

(By "Ajax.")

Omnium horarum homo. The chronicle of the week must convince the shade of Quintilian that no living mortal in Hongkong so nearly approaches his ideal as Sir Edward Stubbs, the Governor of Hongkong. His Excellency filled the important part of the bill of last week—I am referring to the session of the Legislative Council—and his speech on the Light Dues and his replies to Mr. Pollock's questions on Constitutional Reform question filled me with admiration. The speech that His Excellency delivered at the Council was worth listening to. The Governor's was not the only speech, but it was the only one that mattered. Mr. Holyoak has the tenacity of the terrier, and this quality is shared in a lesser or greater extent by Mr. Pollock. The protest of Mr. Holyoak against any possible future enhancement of the Light Due imposition was by no means exciting. The attempt to extract a pledge from the Government that the tax would not be increased in future did not take His Excellency unawares. You cannot catch a wily bird by putting a little bit of salt on its tail, and this time Mr. Holyoak has learnt it to his cost. What was intended as a harmless squib of doubtful brilliance.

His Excellency's reply was a modest one of a straightforward man who made no pretence to extraordinary acumen or insight. He was conscious that the imposition could be borne by the shipping community very comfortably, and it was not meat too strong for their stomachs. His Excellency's speech had a touch of innuendo at the way shipping companies were increasing their passenger and freight rates, and in this case cited the P. and O. It was too provocative for Mr. Parr, and his eclosion was not calculated to make much of an impression. Mr. Pollock did not like to find himself like a sparrow alone on the house top, so he in turn said he would like to associate himself with the remarks that fell from the lips of Messrs. Holyoak, Johnstone and Parr. This reminds me very much of the lines written to Horace Bottomley:

"My name it is Horatio,
You must not think I want to crow.
When ought goes wrong, I always glow
To pop up with I told you so.
You should have heard Horatio."

I did not know that the Justices of the Peace felt that their interests would be jeopardised by the passing of the Light Dues. The imposition is very light, and one would have expected that it would have been taken in good grace by the shipping interests. No shipping company can kick at such a light taxation. Even were the Hongkong Government to raise the tax to five cents per ton on all shipping entering the harbour of Hongkong, instead of 2 1/2 cents per ton as now arranged, it would not be felt by the shipping companies. Of course, a few coastal steamers may find it more than a flea bite in view of the very stagnant state of the freight market at present, but in the majority of cases the imposition would be paid very gladly. Take the case of big vessels of the size of the Empress boats, of eight thousand tons gross. At five cents per ton an eight thousand tonner would have to pay \$200, and at 2 1/2 cents per ton probably burns 250 tons of coal a day, which works out at \$5,000. Even in the case of small vessels of, say, 3,000 tons register, the port dues will be about \$30. If these boats are delayed through fog or have to remain outside on account of bad weather, etc. they would burn more coal. In the case of the big vessels the daily expenses while in port amount to about \$500 to \$600, and a small charge of 2 1/2 cents per ton is quite trivial.

Mr. Pollock berated the Governor for sending despatches to the Colonial Office on such an "important matter as Constitutional Reform" without showing them to the Members of Council. Anything more puerile one cannot conceive. Private despatches written by His Excel-

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WEDDING.

Wilson—Primrose.

The wedding was very quietly celebrated, at the Union Church yesterday afternoon, of Mr. Herbert Wilson and Miss Barbara Primrose, recently arrived from Home. The groom who is in the service of the Taikoo Sugar Refinery, is a son of Mr. Joseph Wilson and of the late Mrs. Wilson of Balleboro, County Cavan (Ireland). The bride, who hails from the same city, is the eldest daughter of the late Mr. James Primrose and of Mrs. Primrose.

The Rev. J. Kirk Macdonachie, Pastor of Union Church, performed the marriage service. The bride who was attended by Mrs. C.R. Wilson, as matron of honour, was given away by Mr. C.R. Wilson. Mr. W. Andrews, of the Public Works Department, acted as "best man."

Following the ceremony photographs of the group were taken and the usual reception took place at No. 3 Broadwood Road.

DAGGER POSSESSION.

A Sentence Confirmed.

In an appeal on behalf of a client who was last week sentenced by the Magistrate to six months' hard labour for the possession of a dagger during a disturbance in a brothel at West Point, Mr. Vaux, at the Police Court this morning, drew his Worship's attention to the fact that the defendant was originally charged with assault, but that count being dismissed, he was alternately charged and convicted on the allegation of being in possession of a dagger, and sentenced to imprisonment without the option of a fine. Mr. Vaux said he could produce before his Worship the defendant's employer who would testify to the good character which the man bore, and would act as security for the man's good conduct in the future. The defendant would, moreover, be sent back to the country where he would be out of mischief's way. Under these circumstances, his Worship was asked to exercise leniency and change the sentence of imprisonment to one of a fine.

Mr. G.N. Orme, replying, said that the weapon found on the defendant was a serviceable one, and if he were to give him a chance by imposing only a fine, other prisoners who would be brought to Court in the future in connection with similar charges would claim the same privilege. The case under notice was connected with a row in a brothel, and it would not be fair for the public not to impose a fitting penalty for an offence of that nature. "If it was a case of mistaking a dagger for a dinner knife," His Worship added, "I shall be prepared to consider the application, but every man who carries dangerous weapons knows what risk he runs. I should like very much to help you, but I cannot in this case."

The sentence passed on the defendant was confirmed.

X-RAY IN THERAPEUTICS.

A discovery by Professor William Duane of Harvard University, has made it possible, according to physicians, to secure X-rays of the most penetrating power heretofore obtained in this country. It is also stated that the new rays will be used for the first time in America for the alleviation of cancer, and that there is reason to believe their effects will be equally beneficial with those of radium.

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